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## For East-West 'fairplay' Kuwait said to urge GCC-Soviet links

KUWAIT, Sept. 21 (AP) — The ruler of Kuwait, advocating a policy of "evenness" between East and West, has declared he will ask members of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) to establish diplomatic and economic relations with the Soviet Union and East European countries, Arabic language newspapers reported here today.

The ruler Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed Al-Jaber, made his statement during a meeting with Kuwaiti newspaper editors following his day tour of Romania, Bulgaria, Hungary, Yugoslavia and Turkey.

Kuwait is the only conservative Arab Gulf state to establish full diplomatic relations with Moscow. The ruler's tour, which ended Saturday, was seen as a bid to set the West on a path of "fairplay" with the Arabs by showing the GCC's ties with the Soviet bloc countries.

The GCC groups Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman in a political, economic and social cooperation council.

"My visit to the Socialist states was a practical response to attempts at spreading doubts about Kuwait's balanced policy and ties with East and West," Sheikh Jaber told the editors. "Some have interpreted Kuwait's joining the GCC as a willingness to fall into the American orbit and take on a Western role. My visit refuted all this and reassured the principle of even-handed relations on political and economic fronts."

He said "we are small countries looking for friends" and insisted that "fairplay" between East and West will help the GCC avoid involvement in international conflicts.

During his meeting with the editors the Kuwaiti leader was asked if he was apprehensive of "adverse ideologies" invading the conservative Gulf region as a result of loosened ties with the Soviets. Sheikh Jaber replied, "Kuwait will not be a center of these ideas and ideologies. There also is the Islamic faith, which protects the Gulf region (against these ideologies). Our social conditions and the family bonds here make the climate unfit for these (Communist) ideologies."

While some Arab diplomatic observers voiced fears that Sheikh Jaber's flirtation with Moscow and East Europe would provoke other Gulf countries anger, others privately contended those countries might have blessed the Kuwaiti tour.

These diplomats alleged that Gulf countries might see in the Kuwaiti approach an indirect warning to Washington to quit favoring Israel and start responding favorably to Arab requests for arms and fairplay.

Arab GCC countries also want Washington to pressure Israel into accepting a "just and durable" peace settlement with the Arabs. This would be based on an Israeli withdrawal from all Arab lands seized during the 1967 war — including Jerusalem — and the setting up of an independent Palestinian state on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Gulf newspapers have been angrily criticizing the United States for announcing the inception of strategic alliance ties with Israel, rather than trying to solve the Middle East problem.

Kuwait established diplomatic relations with Moscow in 1962. Kuwait's Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmed visited Moscow last April, shortly before the GCC got underway.

Kuwait earlier this year paraded newly-acquired Soviet-made weapons, including surface-to-surface Luna missiles with a range of 60 miles. A high-powered Kuwaiti delegation visited Moscow three months ago and negotiated an undisclosed arms deal.

Sheikh Jaber told the editors that during his East European tour "we bought government bonds from these Socialist countries."

He keynoted his intention to upgrade economic ties with these countries and the Soviet Union, also in line with his policy of "balanced" ties with East and West.

Kuwait exports no oil to the Soviet Union and the Soviets. Its exports to the United States were said to be less than 0.000 bpd, while the bulk of its 1.1-million bpd exports go to Western European and Japanese customers.

## Japan wants Soviet talks

TOKYO, Sept. 21 (AP) — Prime Minister Suzuki said Monday Japan is ready to time an official governmental dialogue with the Soviet Union, suspended since the December 1979 Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

Japan and the Soviet Union held top-level discussions four times between 1972 and 1979 in an attempt to forge a postwar peace treaty. Relations between the two have cooled over the Soviet Union's unwillingness to discuss the question of sovereignty over small islands north of Hokkaido, occupied by the Soviets in the aftermath of World War II.

In a televised interview with reporters from Japanese television station, Suzuki said, "It is necessary for Japan to leave channels of communication open with the Soviet Union."

Suzuki's proposal to reopen ministerial level discussions will be relayed to Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko by Japan's Foreign Minister Sunao Sonoda when they meet in New York Wednesday. Both men are in New York to attend the current United Nations General Assembly.

If the discussions materialize, the Afghan problem and the territorial issue between Japan and Moscow over Soviet-held northern islands off the coast of Japan's northern island of Hokkaido will have to be discussed, Suzuki added. Japan adamantly insists the disputed islands, while the Soviets insist they are not open to discussion, a difference of position which, if resolved, could further stall the ministerial talks. The Soviets have been developing military force on the islands. A public opinion poll released Sunday by the prime minister's office said 76 percent of the Japanese questioned consider the present Japanese-Soviet relations as "unfavorable" because they said Moscow still denies Japan's claim to sovereignty over the northern islands.

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## Three killed, 70 injured in U.S. air crash

NELLIS AIR BASE, Nevada, Sept. 21 (AP) — At least three persons were killed, four missing and 70 injured when a United States Air Force transport plane crashed near Las Vegas Monday, military authorities said.

Of the 68 persons on board the C-130 Hercules, 20 persons have been hospitalized and 41 others were slightly injured, the officials said. Nine military personnel, who were on the ground at the time of the crash, were also slightly injured. The reason for the crash was not immediately known.

The plane was preparing for landing at the Indian Springs Air Base, an annex of the Nellis Base, when it crashed, officials said. The Indian Springs base is about 50 kms northwest of Las Vegas. One witness said the aircraft, which had been on a night training mission, exploded in mid-air. The plane was still burning out of control some two hours after the crash, which occurred at 0730 GMT.

Shelly Camp, a Las Vegas police officer who was at the scene, said earlier the air force told him four deaths had been confirmed. Bob Barca, a public information officer at Nellis said 61 of those aboard have been accounted for. He said 41 of them were treated for minor injuries and released, while 20 others were admitted to hospitals. Sgt. Joe Wiles, another public information officer for Nellis, said none of those hospitalized was thought to be critically hurt.

Lt. Col. Mike Wallace, public information officer at Nellis, said rescue workers spent hours trying to remove all passengers from the wreckage.

## E.Germans make the great escape

COBURG, West Germany, Sept. 21 (AP) — Two soldiers and two civilians made nighttime escapes across the "death" strip from East to West Germany, Bavarian police said Monday.

The two East German soldiers who fled together wore civilian clothes and made the crossing without their weapons, said a Bavarian border police spokesman. The two civilians crossed the minefields and alarm fences at another point on the southern border of East Germany near here, police said. The four said they were dissatisfied with political conditions in the East, according to police. The refugees were not identified.

**Irate man burns wife**

JAKARTA, Sept. 21 (AFP) — A man burned his pregnant wife to death in Grobogan, central Java, because he was angry over her slowness in bringing him his clothes after a bath, the newspaper Kompas reported Monday. The man poured petrol on her and set her ablaze in a locked room, the newspaper said.

## Bilateral relations discussed Khaled honors Mintoff

TAIF, Sept. 21 (SPA) — King Khaled honored visiting Maltese Prime Minister Dom Mintoff to a dinner party Monday. The dinner was also attended by Mintoff's delegation; Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard; and senior officials.

Earlier Monday, the prime minister separately called on Prince Abdullah and Prince Sultan, the minister of defense and civil aviation. Bilateral relations were discussed at the two meetings.

Saudi Arabia has already extended a \$20 million loan to Malta to help finance the construction of a modern port on the Mediterranean island. It has also made a \$5 million grant for the construction of a new shipyard. A delegation visited Valletta, the capital, last month to assess further aid for the island.

Later in the evening, Mintoff met with Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khalil with whom he reviewed the economic relations between the two countries. Sheikh Aba Al-Khalil said that they discussed the possibility of increased cooperation and that Mintoff explained to him the nature of the development plans in Malta and his desire to strengthen his country's relations with the Arab states.

Sheikh Aba Al-Khalil said that the Saudi Fund for Development was already financing two projects in the country and was studying several others for possible financing. They will be approved within the next few weeks, he said.

Although one of the smallest countries in the world with an area of only 122 square miles and a population of 500,000, the island occupies a strategic position in the Mediterranean, halfway between Gibraltar and Suez.

Before coming here, Mintoff visited the UAE and received a promise of further economic aid for his country.

## Abdullah pays mosque debt

TAIF, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard has made a personal contribution of £350,000 for the repayment of debts due to the Islamic Center in London. The donation followed a call from the Imam of the center as it faced closure by a court case over tax arrears.

The London Islamic Center is the gathering area of Muslims throughout the various boroughs of London, fulfilling not only a religious need, but at the same time providing a number of other essential services which include classes in Arabic and English, library and social activities for its members.

## Massoud back from Gulf tour

TAIF, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Sheikh Muhammad Ibrahim Massoud, minister of state and acting minister of information, returned here Monday from a Gulf tour where he delivered messages to Arab rulers from King Khaled.

The minister carried the King's messages to Sultan Qabus Bin Said of Oman; President Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al-Nahyan of the United Arab Emirates; Sheikh Jaber Al-Ahmed Sabah of Kuwait; Sheikh Khalifa Bin Hamad Al-Thani of Qatar; and Sheikh Issa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa.

Sheikh Massoud had stated that the messages to the rulers came from the summit between Saudi Arabia and these countries who are members of the Gulf Cooperation Council, and with preparations of the summit conference to be held in Riyadh in November.

He added that his "quick tour was in line of consultations and the exchange of views with members of the GCC." The minister said he felt positive response and understanding from the rulers to King Khaled's messages.

He reiterated that the Gulf countries have agreed to consult each other whenever issues concerning the GCC arose.

Sheikh Massoud said the GCC members are coordinating their economic and political efforts prior to the Arab summit meeting in Morocco and before the session of the United Nations General Assembly.



**PARKING PROBLEMS:** Parking conditions are terrible in Stockholm which is a well known fact to all and soon learned by visitors too. Parking offenses are heavily fined and cars are sometimes towed away at the expense of the owner. This poor tourist from Poland had a bad day; he passed parking to time limit but also had his wheels removed by some hood. His note (inserted) pleads for understanding.

## Playing a new role By naming victims, Tehran newspaper becomes hit

BEIRUT, Sept. 21 (AP) — In the Iranian capital, Tehran, there is a rush at the start of each work day to buy up copies of what has become the city's most popular newspaper, *Jomhuri Eslami*.

The English name for the daily is *Islamic Republic* and the paper is considered by Tehran readers to publish the most accurate account of who has been executed the night before. "The people here have no place else to look for their children, except in the lists who has been sent before the firing squad," a Tehran resident said.

The newspaper is the organ of the ruling Islamic Republican Party, the clergy-dominated group that boasts the backing of Iran's revolutionary leader Ayatollah Khomeini. Launched after the dethroning of the late Shah in February, 1979, the paper failed to attract many readers. In recent months, though, it started scooping its two major rivals by publishing the dreaded reports from Tehran's Evin Prison, where the firing squads do their nightly work.

Newstands these days are selling out of *Jomhuri Eslami* within an hour of its appearance. The suddenly-expanded audience of the otherwise unexciting daily offers a glimpse of how many Iranians are coping with the violent conflict between opponents of the Khomeini regime and the government's ferocious efforts to flatten detractors.

*Jomhuri Eslami* Monday printed the names of 120 victims of the firing squads. It was one of the largest number of officially acknowledged executions in a single night since the regime started moving against the opposition June 22. (Related Story on Page 9.)

That was when Khomeini fired former President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, a move that set off a wave of bombings and assassinations, by the anti-government Mujahedeen Khabz. Since then, the government's official reports add up to — as of Monday — 694 executions. Sources in Tehran have told the AP the count is suspected of being more like 2,000.

Khomeini's supporters are urging Iranians to spy on one another and to turn "traitors to the revolution" over to the pro-Khomeini revolutionary guard. Fearing arrest, Iranians who have had or could be suspected of having Mujahedeen contacts flee underground.

They might vanish without leaving word with their families or friends, and this is how *Jomhuri Eslami* came to play its role. "The government won't tell people if their relatives have been arrested," said the Tehran resident. "So the people run out for *Jomhuri Eslami* every day. There are signs of relief when they don't see anyone they know."

"But the relief lasts only until the next day when the newspaper comes out again. The harshest thing the government can do is inform somebody their son is dead by making them read it in the newspaper."

**Eyskens resigns**

BRUSSELS, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Prime Minister Mark Eyskens' government resigned here Monday night. The announcement came after an emergency cabinet meeting which lasted only 15 minutes. Then premier Eyskens handed his resignation to King Baudouin, who accepted it.

The king however asked Eyskens and his government to carry out current business. Eyskens had already seen the king earlier Monday.

This issue was to have been settled by Monday night's cabinet meeting. The Eyskens government had been in power since March 31. (See earlier story on back page.)

## Ex-U.S. president LBJ allegedly accepted bribes

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (R) — Former President Lyndon B. Johnson accepted "envelopes stuffed with cash" during his political career and even when he was vice-president, according to an article published in the magazine *Atlantic Monthly*.

The report, written by Robert Caro who also is working on a biography of Johnson, said that one lobbyist for an oil company brought \$50,000 in 100-dollar bills in sealed envelopes to Johnson's office while he was vice-president. "For many years, men came into Lyndon Johnson's office and handed him envelopes stuffed with cash," the report said.

The article added that estimates putting Johnson's assets at \$14 million when he became president in 1963 were probably far too low. It said Johnson had private telephones installed in the Oval Office of the White House "and over those lines, during the entire five years of his presidency, Johnson personally directed his business affairs."

The report said Johnson spent several hours a day working on his personal business affairs while he was at the White House.

The article said: "During a visit to the Johnson ranch by (West) German Chancellor Ludwig Erhard, the president sat behind closed doors browbeating a group of businessmen in connection with a television option agreement... In the direction of his business affairs, he did not hesitate to use the power of the presidency itself," the article said.

The article, called "The Years of Lyndon Johnson" covered 33 pages in the October issue of *The Atlantic Monthly*. It was the first in a series of five articles by Caro, who won a Pulitzer Prize in 1975 for his book, *The Power Broker: Robert Moses and the Fall of New York*.

## Pest control called in Heathrow infested by insects

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AP) — Heathrow Airport, one of the world's largest international terminals, is fighting off a swarming invasion of mosquitoes, daddy-long-legs, flies and fleas.

"They're outside and inside — everywhere," airport spokeswoman Frances Aldridge said Monday. But she said a pest-control company has sprayed carpets, the X-ray scanning machine and other possible breeding areas, and the problem now appears under control. The company was called in after dozens of reports of bites and itching among passengers and staff at Heathrow, which handles a total of 800 daily flights in and out.

A woman who works for British Airways said, "I've noticed red marks on the bottom of my legs, and a lot of the staff can be seen diving under their desks for a crafty scratch. Ms. Aldridge said "Rather more than a few" people were treated for bites at the medical center, but she said it was nothing serious — "just a matter of putting some lotion on their arms or legs."

"It's disgusting," one stewardess told *The Mirror*, "that a big airport like Heathrow should be infested by such a filthy pest (as fleas)." Some of the insects also got in through luggage, especially in the busy international terminal "we have a variety of them coming in from a variety of places," she said.

## Haig reveals plan to boost world trade

UNITED NATIONS, Sept. 21 (R) — U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig Monday proposed a strategy for world economic growth based on more trade, domestic and international investment, and stronger cooperation in food and energy.

He made his main theme of his first address to the U.N. General Assembly since he took office, and mentioned only briefly political issues that divide East and West.

He and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, who is to speak here Tuesday, will confer on Wednesday. Haig has a few words for Soviet actions, attacking "willful violation of the national integrity of both Afghanistan and Cambodia by the Soviet Union and Vietnam."

The secretary of state received long and loud applause after his speech and many delegates stood in line to shake his hand as he left the rostrum. Haig said the United States would remain a reliable party in negotiations on independence for Namibia (South West Africa). Foreign ministers of Britain, Canada, France and West Germany will join him Thursday to review this effort. Haig pledged efforts to strengthen the southern Lebanon ceasefire and for Middle East peace, as well as for balanced and verifiable arms control.

"The international community has tended to overestimate the beneficial effects of the strategic arms limitation talks in dampening regional conflict," he said, referring what are commonly called the SALT negotiations.

"We have also tended to underestimate the impact of such conflict on the negotiations themselves." The restraint implies that arms control must become more widespread if agreements were to survive, he said.

Casting his main theme to the upcoming economic summit conference, which President Reagan will attend in Mexico next month, Haig said the task was to give fresh impetus to development by devising now a new strategy for growth.

"Developed and developing countries faced the challenge of strengthening the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), and the international trading system to create mutual opportunities," he said.

Attacking protectionism, he said the United States imported roughly one-half of all manufactured goods exported by developing countries.

"Developing nations must have the greatest possible opportunity to sell their commodities and manufactured product," the secretary of state said.

In an allusion to the new international economic order advocated by the Third World and some Western nations, he said they must recognize that a growth strategy that depends on a massive increase in the transfer of resources from developed to developing countries was unrealistic summing up, he identified three areas of action deserving immediate international attention: A global expansion of trade, an increase in investment, and closer international cooperation in food and energy.



## SR800m Saudi-Swedish deal

## Shipping pact signed

By Javid Hassan

RIYADH, Sept. 21. — The National Shipping Company of Saudi Arabia Monday concluded a \$800 million contract with the Swedish shipyard Kockums AB for the construction and delivery of four large ro-ro container ships. The contract was signed by the company's chairman, Sheikh Muhammad Al Sugair, and Wessberg, president of Kockums, at Marriott Riyadh hotel.

The ships, the largest roll-on-roll-off (ro-ro) vessels ever contracted in the world, will be delivered between March and December 1983. Eighty percent of the price of the ships will be financed from the Swedish Ship Export Credit corporation on subsidized terms. Each vessel will have a deadweight of about 38,500 tons and a carrying capacity of about 2,000 containers of 20 ft. equivalent units (TEU).

The trial speed will be 20 knots. The ships will be fitted with the most sophisticated equipment available for transportation of containers and other cargoes. They are being built according to the highest technical standards above the requirements of the classification societies and conforming to the latest regulation of the Kingdom. Abdulaziz al

Turki, managing director of the company, told *Arab News*.

He said that with the addition of these ships the company will have acquired six vessels. Two more are expected to join the fleet later. All the vessels will operate on the USA-Middle East route mostly serving the Saudi Arabian ports. The addition of the ships will boost the tonnage of the Saudi flag ships which now carry about 1.4 percent of the kingdom's total imports, Turki said.

Speaking on the occasion, Wessberg said his shipyard will make every effort to build ships according to Saudi Arabia's specifications and deliver them on time. "The signing of the contract is the end of the beginning but also the beginning of the future for increasing cooperation between the two companies," he said. He complimented his counterpart on his efforts to beef up the kingdom's national shipping.

Al Sugair, in his reply, hoped that the Swedish shipyard will not only maintain its international reputation in ship building but also excel itself in the field. He said the company had acquired within two years of its inception some of the largest ro-ro ships in the world. With the ships contracted for the total capacity will rise to 200,000 tons, he said.

"Saudi Arabia is not a maritime nation, but we have great aspiration to become one. Our country imports substantial cargo from various industrialized countries. But the share of cargo carried by Saudi Arabian flag ships is less than three percent. In this context our company has a great scope in expanding the shipping tonnage," the chairman pointed out.

The National Shipping Company of Saudi Arabia was established as a fully Saudi Arabian owned joint stock company in 1979 with an authorized capital of SR 500 million.

## 300 French Muslims to leave for Hajj

PARIS, Sept. 21 (AFP) — More than 300 French Muslims are scheduled to leave France Wednesday for the holy pilgrimage to Mekkah, the secretary of state for repatriates reported Monday. A total of some 600 French Muslims will go on pilgrimage this year to accomplish one of the five pillars of Islam.

## Investment set for Jordan railroad

AMMAN, Sept. 21 (SPA) — The Board of Directors of the Arab Investment Company (AIC) decided Monday to invest in the development of the Iraqi railroad system.

Abdul Aziz Al Dakheik, the Saudi Arabian chairman of the board, said the company — made up of several Arab countries including the Kingdom — also has decided to set up a finance company in Bahrain to carry out financial operations and transactions as part of the overall activity of the parent company.

## Prince Miteb plans Makkah visit

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Public Works and Housing Minister Prince Miteb, the acting minister of municipal and rural affairs, will arrive in Makkah Tuesday for a three-day inspection of all projects in the holy places.

The minister will inspect flyovers, bridges, tunnels and expansion to the lighting of

The board agreed to open two liaison offices in Jordan and Tunisia to follow up the implementation of projects that the company is financing and supervising in those two countries.

In order to attract qualified Arab personnel to serve its projects and companies, the board has decided to increase the inducement allowances given to the staff, including raising the education fees for their children to \$4,000 per child per year.

streets, and water and sewage networks in Mina and the holy places. Prince Miteb will meet with Makkah Mayor Abdul Kader Koshak, officials of the water and sewage department and the Mina development project to discuss preparations to receive pilgrims. Preparations include cleaning and environmental health activities, operating the runway and other issues.

## Pilgrims, guides urged to note fire prevention rules

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — The Interior Ministry urged all pilgrims and their guides to take special precautions to prevent fires during the coming pilgrimage. The ministry also issued a list of guidelines for pilgrims to ensure safety for the two million pilgrims expected to perform the holy duty this year.

The ministry said Monday that in past years some guides and pilgrim groups ignored its guidelines and caused number of fires that resulted in casualties and property damages. It warned those found guilty of deliberate negligence of stern punishment.

The ministry's guidelines say a guide must provide a kitchen some distance from the tents and that it must be built of steel pipes and tin plating. Only the guide and his cooks may be provided access and individual pilgrims should not be permitted to use the kitchens. Guides are prompted by the ministry to use loud speakers to advise their pilgrim groups about fire safety while using native languages.

According to the ministry, electricity generators should be placed in safe places and protected by fireproof materials like tin and steel. They should be erected at least 10 meters away from the nearest tent.

Wooden canopies to provide shade should not be used at all because they obstruct evacuation of pilgrims during firefighting. The guides should not store large quantities of flammable material inside the camps. They should be content with storing limited quantities for day-to-day consumption, the ministry advised.

## Madinah security centers inspected

MADINAH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Public Security Director Gen. Abdullah Al-Sheikh arrived here Monday to inspect Public Security centers and their preparation for the pilgrimage season. He was received by Brig. Hamad Abdullah Al-Arifi, Madinah police director, and other officials.

Immediately after his arrival, Gen. Al-Sheikh met with Brig. Arifi and senior officers. They discussed special preparations and made plans for the pilgrimage this year. The public security director inspected executive

Electricity wires should be insulated inside steel pipes in the camps and each guide must hire an electrician during the days of the pilgrimage to be on hand in case of any emergency. He should be required also to check proper wiring of the camp. Electric bulbs shouldn't be placed close to the tents since they could cause fire.

The ministry also said garbage should be disposed of as soon as possible. It should not be accumulated inside the camps. The guides should make clear to the pilgrims to extinguish their cigarettes before throwing the stubs away. At least four fire extinguishers for different purposes, in addition to sand buckets, should be placed inside the camps at all times.

Foam mattresses should be replaced by wool blankets because foam is highly flammable.

Vehicles should not be parked inside the camps and between camps because they carry fuel that could aggravate a situation. Outdoor sellers should not use electricity generators and store flammable materials.

Pilgrims' guides should afford every possible cooperation to the civil defense personnel in their supervision tours for the benefit of all concerned, the Interior Ministry said.

The Interior Ministry also issued a statement regulating traffic inside Makkah during the pilgrimage. As of early morning September 29, small cars — both private and taxis with space for less than nine persons and small pick-trucks — will not be allowed to enter the area surrounding the Holy Haram.

Traffic passing through the Haram area will be re-routed.

The statement said that to ease congestion in the Haram area, because small cars form a major portion of vehicles in the streets while they serve a very small share of the public transportation and other services — small vehicles were banned to preserve the flow of traffic and maximum degree of public security and safety.

The statement affirmed that the decision to ban small vehicles from entering Makkah still stands, for all streets and directions. The first period for prohibiting small cars starts at 4 p.m. local time October 5 until 4 p.m. the next day. Then traffic is regulated only around the Haram area until October 10, 10

a.m. when all small vehicles are banned from entering the holy city. The ban lasts for 2 hours.

Meanwhile, service and supply pick-ups will be allowed into Makkah including the surrounding of the holy Haram, according to a pre-set plan. Supply pick-ups can drive into Makkah from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. starting September 29 to October 11.

However, public service vehicles are an exception to the ban. They will be given flexibility to provide their services in a good and quick way, the statement said. It urged the public to abide by these rules for preserving the public interests and facilitating the way for pilgrims so that they can perform the religious rites comfortably.

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DAMMAM, (SPA) — A South Korean delegation, representing a number of companies specializing in building materials, will arrive here Tuesday on a three-day visit to the Eastern Province as part of its visit to the Kingdom. The delegation will hold talks with officials of the Eastern Province Chamber of Commerce and Industry and businessmen to discuss prospects of promotion economic relations and establishing joint projects.

AHSA, (SPA) — The popular committee of Ahsa cultural and arts committee is organizing a folklore festival on the occasion of the Ekl-al-Adha in Hofuf. The event will be attended by Ahsa Governor Prince Muhammad bin Fahd Al-Jilwi. Folklore dance and art groups in the region will take part in the event representing various arts in the Arabian peninsula, in addition to folk dances of Arab and Islamic communities in the Kingdom.

DAMMAM, (SPA) — Dr. Ali Al-Abdul Kader, library affairs dean of King Faisal University of Dammam, will deliver a lecture on the "Benefits of 'Positive Aspects of Unifying the Kingdom'" on Wednesday. The lecture will be held at KFUPM Medical College's lectures hall. The lecture is part of the university's cultural activities and comes on the occasion of the Kingdom's national day.

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## Petromin opens new oil piers

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Sept. 21 — Two new oil-loading piers have been opened by Petromin here at a cost of SR1 billion. The piers, which started operations have recently, are capable of loading 85,000-ton tankers that are guided into position by national pilots who have replaced foreign workers, according to Abdul Fattah Kurdi, acting director of public relations. He also told *Arab News* Monday that the piers will solve some of the problems that used to confront the refinery and make it work a lot easier. He said this is one of the major achievements of the oil industry in the Kingdom.

Other significant achievements of the oil industry include the first shipment of 1.5 million barrels of crude loaded at the Red Sea industrial city of Yanbu, which crowned four years of toil and a \$1.6 billion investment in the Kingdom's cross-country Petroline project. Petromin Governor Dr. Abdul Hadi Aher and other officials gathered to witness the delivery of the first shipment of Arabian oil to the European market by the VLCC *Yanbu Pride*.

The pipeline, completed on schedule, is wholly owned by the Saudi Arabian General Petroleum and Mineral Organization (Petromin) and was founded entirely by Saudi Arabia. The east-west pipeline saves the eastern consumer 3,000 nautical miles by averting Saudi Arabia and in a trouble-free route rather than the explosive Gulf now at the mercy of an armed conflict between Iraq and Iran.

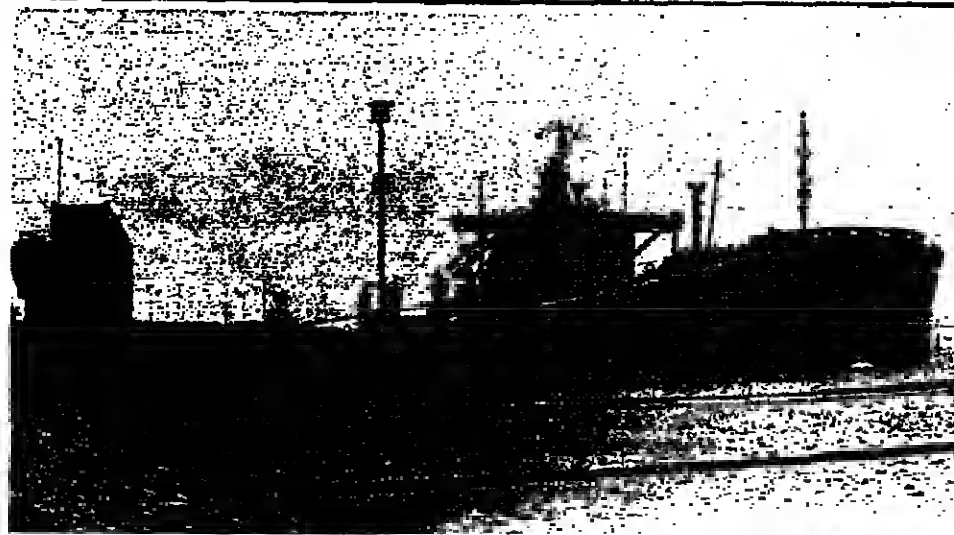
Earlier, the board of directors of Petromin finally approved a proposed 12,000 mtr-a-day lubricating oil refinery at the industrial city of Jubail. The plant will be a joint venture in which Petromin will hold a 50 percent interest. Standard Oil Company of Illinois's Arabian Chevron Overseas, Ltd.

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NEW PIERS: A tanker takes on a shipment from Petromin lubricating oil refinery by means of new piers built for the purpose.

and Texaco's Saudi Investments, Ltd., will each hold a 25 percent interest.

One of the world's largest lubricating oil refineries, the joint venture complex will process heavy fuel oil into six grades of premium base stocks for lubricating oils, to be used mainly for automotive and industrial purposes. Saudi Arabia will use part of the production for its own internal needs. The balance will be exported by Standard Oil, Texaco and their affiliates in the Middle East, Far East, Europe and the United States.

The project will make a significant contribution to the growth of Saudi Arabia's manufacturing capability, a joint statement from Standard Oil and Texaco said. "In terms of a single train, grass roots installations, this is the largest lube oil plant that will have been built up to this time," it added.

In addition, the five new oil refineries being built by Petromin in cooperation with international oil firms will start production by 1983 and will reach full capacity production in 1986.

A Petromin study said in April that three export oriented oil refineries are located in Jubail, Rabegh and Yanbu. The Jubail oil refinery is owned jointly by Petromin and

Shell. It was the first project to be constructed by Petromin in Jubail's industrial complex. Feasibility studies for the project were completed in 1975. It was endorsed in 1979 and construction will begin by the end of 1981.

Other discussions have taken place between Petromin and the Arab Petroleum Investment Corporation (APICORP) to establish a 4,000 barrel-per-day lubrication oil plant on the Kingdom's Red Sea coast.

The project would be the first pan-Arab development project initiated by APICORP in the Kingdom. APICORP is a branch of the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) formed to consolidate Arab investment into joint ventures for the development of hydrocarbon and other industries in Arab countries.

Production will total 200,000 tons per year of lube oils with the possible expansion to 400,000 tons in the future. The plant's total production will be exported to other Arab countries at market prices, officials said. An initial study of the project by APICORP estimated an Arab lube oils market in Arab demand for the oils to be about 1.3 billion tons per year by 1985.

## FROM THE GULF

ABU DHABI, Sept. 21 (WAM) — Muhammad Khalifa Al-Yousuf, director of the economic department at the foreign ministry conferred here Monday with Edmund Jayasinghe, Sri Lankan charge d'Affaires and reviewed with him bilateral economic relations and means of boosting them.

The Sri Lankan diplomat has presented to the officials at the foreign ministry an invitation from his government to attend the meeting planned to be held in Colombo between 19-23 October to discuss the possibility of increasing investments in Sri Lanka.

ABU DHABI, Sept. 21 (WAM) — At its weekly session Monday the federal cabinet approved a memorandum presented by the Petroleum and Mineral Resources Ministry

dealing with the implementation of the third phase of minerals survey program in the country at a cost of DH. 6 million (about \$1.6 million).

The cabinet session chaired by Sheikh Hamdan Bin Muhammad, deputy prime minister also approved a Foreign Ministry note on the payment of the UAE's share for the budget of the United Nations forces, stationed at Golan Heights, Syria, and the allocation of the budget of the United Nations Children's Fund UNICEF regional bureau in Abu Dhabi for 1981.

The cabinet approved a number of memoranda from the permanent committee for projects regarding the execution of a number of projects in Abu Dhabi and its suburbs.

## MWL considers scholars' council

MAKKAH, Sept. 21 (SPA) — The Muslim World League Constituent Council's committees continued their week-long meetings Monday. MWL Assistant Secretary General Muhammad Safwat Al-Sagga said that the Cultural and Jurisprudence Committee discussed six topics during its session Monday.

The subjects included establishing a supreme scholars council in Morocco under the chairmanship of King Hassan, from which regional council will be formed to promote public guidance and education in mosques.

To promote public guidance

The committee issued the necessary recommendations to be submitted to the council Tuesday morning. Among the topics were opening an Islamic studies department at the College of Religious in the University of Iowa, USA. It also called for confronting Christian activities which include distribution of the Bible to hotels, universities, institutes, and other public places. The committee proposed formation of a special fund to confront Christianization in the world in a scientific and practical way.

The committee also discussed the issue of

the International Religious Union of Bangkok which, it said, aims at spreading the Buddhist philosophy, encouraging masons, but hiding Islam. It recommended stopping cooperation with the union.

The committee discussed Sunday night reports on the conditions of Muslims in several Southeast Asian countries and steps taken by the MWL General Secretariat to promote the memorization of the Holy Quran in that area.

The committee also discussed the status of the Islamic jurisprudence complex of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) in Jeddah. The committee reached several recommendations that will be submitted to the constituent council.

Meanwhile, the Political Committee completed Monday the political statement of the constituent council to determine its position toward various Islamic issues and evaluate the current situation.

King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd sent cables to the council expressing the Kingdom's unwavering support for Islamic issues and its readiness to confront Zionist and Communist dangers. The cables were received Saturday evening by Sheikh Abdul Aziz ibn Baz, who is leading the council's deliberations.

## Arab investors to finance Saudi off-shore platforms

By a Staff Writer

AL-KHOBAR, Sept. 21 — The Arab Petroleum Investment Corporation (APICORP) board agreed to finance the construction of four off-shore platforms for the Saudi Arabian National Exploration Company (NADRIPO). The platforms will be used under a contract with the Arabian-American Oil Company (Aramco) in the Kingdom's territorial waters, according to Nureddin Farrag, chief executive and general manager for APICORP.

The meeting was chaired by Salem Farqash, deputy chairman and representative from the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya. The meeting was attended by members representing the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Algeria, Syria, Iraq, Qatar, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Libya.

During its recent Paris session, the board also agreed to participate in a company that will conduct studies on Sudan's White Nile refinery project in the Republic of Sudan, Farrag said. He added that other shareholders in the company include Sudan, Chevron Corporation and the International Finance Corporation (IFC) of the World Bank group.

Farrag said the board had been informed that the government of Iraq approved the documents establishing the detergent chemicals company. The board approved the arrangements to offer shares to other member states of the Organization of Arab Petroleum

## 300,953 pilgrims arrive in Kingdom

TAIF, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Pilgrims who reached the Kingdom by Saturday numbered 300,953 — an increase of 53,988 or 22 percent compared to the same period last year. Of the total, 253,665 pilgrims arrived by air; 32,223 arrived by sea; and 15,065 by land, according to official statistics released Monday.

Exporting Countries (OPEC), he added.

The board also reviewed the interim reports on investment activities, the financial position of the corporation for the second quarter of 1981 and a report on overall activities, he told *Arab News*. The board also resolved to hold the following meeting in December, and will decide on the venue later, Farrag added.

## New projects total SR132m

TAIF, Sept. 21 (SPA) — Justice Minister Sheikh Ibrahim bin Muhammad Al-Sheikh, acting agricultural and water minister, granted Monday licenses for five wheat producing projects and poultry farms. The total cost of the projects amounts to SR132 million.

The first project, to be established in Dalm, will produce 4,000 tons of wheat and fodders annually. It will cost SR56.6 million and

occupies an area of 1,000 hectares. The second project will be a sheep husbandry farm which will cost SR4.7 million. It will be built in Sirr area and will have a capacity of 2,500 heads of sheep a year.

The remaining three projects are poultry farms to be built in the Qasim area. They will have a collective capacity of 25.4 million eggs per annum and will cost SR70.6 million to build.

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Asr (Afternoon)	3:38	3:41	3:12	2:59	3:24	3:54
Maghreb (Sunset)	6:18	6:19	5:51	5:38	6:02	6:32
Isha (Night)	7:48	7:49	7:21	7:08	7:32	8:02

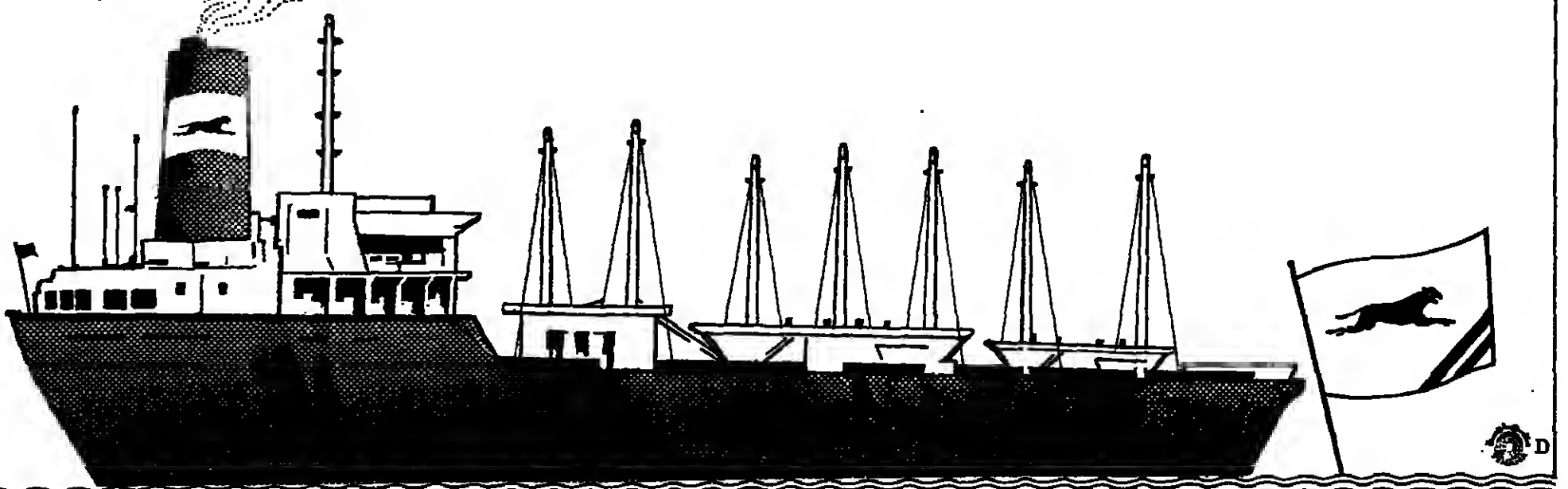
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## Aid with strings

## Mrs. Gandhi attacks U.S. policy

SYDNEY, Sept. 21 (R) — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi Monday sharply criticized the United States and accused it of wanting to establish bases in Pakistan.

In an interview with Rajan Gupta, New Delhi correspondent of *The Sydney Morning Herald*, Mrs. Gandhi said U.S. arms aid to Pakistan was a deliberate irritant to the Soviet Union. The aid was "the first step to try and get bases or a base," she said. Accusing Washington of trying to make Pakistan replace Iran as its policeman in the region, Mrs. Gandhi said the United States was hostile to India because "we do not fit in with

their global strategy."

She said Washington was "generally used to people toeing their line and they don't like a country which pursues an independent course." Mrs. Gandhi said the U.S. had opposed the concept of nonalignment originally and was still not happy with it. Washington did not like India's position on South Africa, Namibia or, earlier, Vietnam. But she denied a suggestion that India might be increasing its dependence on the Soviet Union.

"We are not dependent on the Soviet Union so there is no question of increasing

dependence," she said. Mrs. Gandhi said India had diversified its purchases of military hardware, was trying to make as many as possible of its own arms and usually bought from those willing to give it technical know-how. "Often when you buy from the United States you do get dependent on them because they do not give the technology."

She said it was unrealistic to expect the Soviet Union to reconcile itself to an anti-Soviet government in Afghanistan. She did not know what India could do to help bring a settlement there "because Pakistan does not want a solution of the problem."

## Returns with only promises

## Goukouni's visit to France not productive

PARIS, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — The first visit to France by Chadian President Goukouni Oueddei ended ambiguously here this weekend.

Efforts by the French government to encourage the dispatch of an African peacekeeping force to its former colony to replace the Libyan military presence met a refusal by Chad's neighbor Cameroon to participate or endorse the idea.

At the same time, Chadian accusation of aggression by Sudan with backing from Egypt threaten to spread the power struggle over Chad. The three-day visit has marked a

resumption of normal relations between Paris and N'djamena "after months of crisis during the civil war in Chad, especially since the Libyan intervention which helped drive the forces of Rebel leader Hissene Habre from the capital."

Although he came to Paris hoping to obtain French aid to rebuild the war-ravaged state, the Chadian president left with only promises. France is being cautious about resuming aid. The form and details of French technical and humanitarian aid would be examined at a later date, a reliable source said. As for military aid to Chad for the train-

ing of its army, French Cooperation and Development Minister Jean-Pierre Cot ruled that possibility out before Goukouni arrived.

After more than 20 years of a bitter struggle for power in Chad among various factions who have had no time to exploit the country's mineral wealth, one thing counts among the divided rulers—money.

Where it comes from is usually immaterial, and local people more or less expect those in power to apply a "get rich quick" philosophy. As a result, corruption is endemic at all levels of society. More than half the population earns less than \$30 a month, while a minister in the Transitional Government of National Unity (GUNT) is paid only twice the salary of an ordinary civil servant.

At the top is President Goukouni Oueddei and his example is often cited in N'djamena. A former post office worker in the provinces, his political career began when he allegedly embezzled \$100 or so and fled into the bush. "We have given up counting the number of men who became ministers after taking to the bush," one Chadian commented.

But local people are well aware that they have to pay for most of the corruption in public life, and their concern is fully shared by the humanitarian organizations trying to bring some sort of aid to the country.

Since all but sporadic fighting ended 10 months ago, the Chadian government has been grabbing the money or gifts that is sent for the good of the population and not bothering how we do our job, an official of one of the organizations looking after refugees said. The general public in N'djamena is now resentful of the Libyan presence in Chad — summoned by President Goukouni to defend his position from rebel former Defense Minister Hissene Habre — as the promises of Libyan leader Muammar Qaddafi of aid to rebuild the shattered capital remain unfulfilled. Libyan methods seem designed to aggravate this discontent.

## Court suspends trial of corrupt Israeli minister

TEL AVIV, Sept. 21 (R) — Israel's supreme court Monday suspended the trial of Welfare Minister Aharon Abuhatzira, who is facing charges of theft and fraud. The court ordered a temporary suspension until it has given a final ruling on an appeal from Abuhatzira that the new Knesset (parliament) should vote on his parliamentary immunity from prosecution.

The Knesset lifted his immunity before the June general election but the case reached court Aug. 6, after the election. Abuhatzira's lawyers have argued that his reelection to the Knesset in June offered him new immunity from prosecution. The attorney general opposed the appeal on the grounds that the Knesset has already voted on the issue.

The charges, which include breach of trust and conspiracy to commit a crime, date back to the mid-1970s when he was mayor of Ramle, east of Tel Aviv. They relate to a fund named after his grandfather. The court is expected to reach a final decision in three weeks.

## Egypt, Israel agree on autonomy talks plan

TEL AVIV, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — Israeli and Egyptian officials agreed here Sunday on a schedule for Palestinian autonomy talks that are to resume Wednesday after a 15-month break, Israel radio said.

Egyptian Ambassador to Israel Saad Morada said he was optimistic about the results of the autonomy talks, according to the radio. He reportedly told an audience at a book fair in Haifa that all parties to the talks were approaching the autonomy issue with a positive attitude. He was quoted by the radio as saying that a solution to the Palestinian issue would lead to a real peace in the Middle East. The autonomy talks were broken off by Egypt last year. The talks were later held up by elections in the United States and Israel.

## UNHCR official visits Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 21 (AFP) — United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Poul Hartling arrived here Monday on a five-day official visit to Pakistan. He told newsmen on arrival that Pakistan had the highest number of refugees in the world today and he appreciated the relief being provided to the nearly 2.5 million Afghan refugees by the Pakistan government. Hartling will have meetings with Pakistani President Muhammad Zia ul-Haq and officials and will visit refugee camps in Baluchistan and Northwest Frontier Provinces.

## Talks of democracy

## Sadat says new parties, publications are barred

CAIRO, Sept. 21 (AP) — President Anwar Sadat, in an interview published Monday, said there would be no new parties or publications in Egypt until a charter-like guideline is set for "proper democratic behavior."

In an interview released in his party's newspaper, *Maya*, Sadat also said his government is preparing measures to "crush luxury everywhere" in Egyptian life. "We shall chase it even in the homes." In his recent crackdown on political and religious opponents, Sadat banned seven publications including three by the Muslim Brotherhood, two Coptic Christian weeklies, an independent political monthly and the weekly newspaper of the opposition Socialist Labor Party.

He justified the moves by alleging they had "contributed" to fanning the flames of sectarian strife in Egypt. An estimated 70 persons have died in the conflicts this year. In the interview, Sadat reiterated that under the guise of democracy, political and religious figures tried to defame his government and he said a "total review must be made of the way in which democracy is applied."

He said he would ask the supreme council of journalists to make an assessment of the only remaining political party newspaper, *Al-Akhar*, which, unlike the ones banned, has been milder in its criticism of domestic prob-

lems, including inflation, shortages in housing and run-down infrastructure.

"Until the guidelines have been set by all institutions and the paper has been submitted to the people for their final word on how democracy should be applied, there shall be no new political parties or publications," Sadat said indicating it could be a long process involving professional unions, parliament and the presidential consultative council.

Thus far, a political party can be established by any 20 members of parliament. There are 392, of which, all but 18 are held by Sadat's National Democratic Party. In his interview, Sadat stressed on the need for "strict rules of behavior" in all walks of life.

## 85 nominations filed for Dacca election

DACCA, Sept. 21 (AP) — Eighty-five candidates, most of them unknown, filed nomination papers Monday for the Nov. 15th presidential polls.

Acting President Justice Abdus Sattar, 75, former chief of the Bangladesh liberation forces, retired Gen. Muhammad Ataul Gani Osmani, and former Minister Kamal Hossain are considered main contenders. Kamal is the nominee of the Awami League.

## Fierce battle reported in Kandahar

QUETTA, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — Afghan rebel groups and government forces are locked in a fierce battle for control of Afghanistan's second largest city of Kandahar, travellers arriving here from the area said Sunday.

The travellers, mainly local tribesmen who plan to attend a council of rebel groups here this weekend, said the battle started four days ago. It was continuing when they left the area Saturday to travel 200 kms to Quetta, capital of Pakistan's Baluchistan province, they said. Western diplomatic sources confirming major fighting over the last few days in Kandahar which has a population of 230,000 and is only about 80 kms from the Pakistan border.

The sources said rebels had made regular attacks on Kandahar since Soviet troops arrived in Afghanistan 20 months ago but that the present attack was a major bid to control the city. The travellers said rebel groups controlled the center of the city and most of its population were helping the rebels. Street battles were in progress and government forces were shelling the city.

The provincial governor, regional army commander and other officials have evacu-

ated the city to direct a counter attack from a nearby airbase where Russian pilots are also stationed, the travellers said. They reported about 300 houses and 200 small shops destroyed in shelling of the city by government forces.

Firm rebel control of Kandahar would be seen as a major military reverse for the Soviet-backed Afghan government. It is important as a base for stopping infiltration from Pakistan's Baluchistan province, which now shelters about 500,000 Afghan refugees.

A rebel success in Kandahar could also embarrass Pakistan by bringing the Afghan war closer to its frontier. Informed sources said Pakistan's desire not to be linked publicly with the rebels caused the postponement of their Quetta Council from its scheduled start Sunday until after President Zia-ul-Haq finishes a tour of Baluchistan Wednesday. He has been to the area since Friday.

Five major rebel groups based in Peshawar, near which most of Pakistan's 2.3 million Afghan refugees live, have denounced the council as a divisive move.

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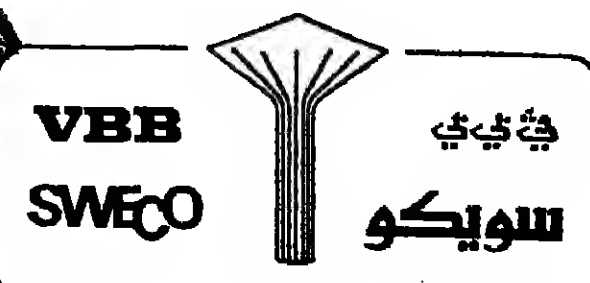
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# Iran's firing squads execute 121 rebels

BEIRUT, Sept. 21 (AP) — Revolutionary firing squads executed 121 more persons in the Islamic Republic of Iran Sunday night, continuing its relentless campaign against opponents of the fundamentalist regime, a Tehran newspaper reported Monday.

The death lists published by *Jomhuri-e-Nehad*, official voice of the ruling Islamic Republic Party, gave the names of 106 persons put to death in Tehran Sunday night. Other 15 persons were executed Sunday in cities stretching from Kerman in the south to Sanandaj in the northwest province of Kurdistan. Most of the hundreds of persons executed since President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr was fired June 22 had been accused of siding with underground leftist groups waging guerrilla warfare against the Khomeini regime.

Meanwhile, sources in Tehran said the son of Ayatollah Khomeini who had supported Bani-Sadr was executed Saturday. The executed was the son of Ayatollah Golzadeh.

Ghafari, a prominent member of parliament.

Also over the weekend, prominent clergyman Habibollah Taheriki and his bodyguards were assassinated in the Caspian Sea province of Gilan, the sources said.

The exact number of anti-government executions is hard to pinpoint, but the total is generally thought to be at least 1,000. A check of official announcements by the official Tehran radio and the Pars news agency showed that at least 694 government opponents have been executed in the 12 weeks since Bani-Sadr's dismissal. About 300 more were executed over the weekend although in most cases their alleged offenses were not published. In addition to the 121 persons executed Sunday night, informed sources reported the executions of 180 others and said officials have conceded the total number of executions topped 1,100 early last week. Other sources say the total is closer to 2,000.

## 'Embassy in Tehran not returned'

## U.S. freezes \$2m Iranian funds

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP) — The United States has frozen about \$2 million in bank accounts belonging to the government of Iran because the American embassy in Tehran has not been returned to the United States, the State Department said Sunday night.

The U.S. government is also keeping possession of the Iranian embassy in Washington. "There is a hold-up in a matter of reciprocity," said department spokesman David Mall. He said he was not familiar with the issues involved and no one from the department was immediately available to him.

The *Washington Post* in Monday edition quoted a lawyer representing Iran, Nasir G. Shakk Jr., as saying the freeze was "a small side issue we would like to get resolved." The official denied that the United States was "trying to waltz" on the agreement, noting "We have released over \$9 billion in Iranian assets" under the hostage agreement.

He also noted that Iran had not turned over the embassy in Tehran to Switzerland, which now represents U.S. interests there, and had frozen \$1 million.

Meanwhile, a presidential commission is deciding whether the United States should pay them for their ordeal.

The panel heard advice ranging from payments of \$1,000 a day for each hostage to no money at all. Its recommendation, due Monday, will be reviewed by President Ronald Reagan. Considering execution threats, torture and other mistreatment of the hostages, "you would be well on the conservative side if you were to decide that a court would be likely to pay a minimum of \$1,000 a day of captivity for each hostage," said Bruce Clegg, the attorney for the hostages and their families.

The commission also received testimony from the former hostages themselves, several of whom recounted in grim detail the indignities they suffered. William J. Daugherty, a political-military officer at the U.S. embassy in Tehran, said he spent all but 19 of the 444 days in solitary confinement, was routinely subjected to physical abuse including beatings with a rubber hose and was permitted outdoors for only a few hours during his entire captivity.



WOUNDED: A young man who is wounded by in a bomb attack on a Beirut cinema Sunday is waiting to be taken to a hospital. Four persons were killed and over 20 injured in the blast.

## Blast in Tripoli; two bombs defused

BEIRUT, Sept. 21 (AP) — A booby-trapped gas cylinder exploded in the northern port of Tripoli Monday while two car bombs were defused in Beirut and the southern port city of Sidon, carrying a spate of terrorist bombings in Lebanon into a second week, official and privately-owned radio stations reported.

The state radio said an explosive charge rigged inside a gas cylinder went off prematurely in a store that sells bottled gas canisters in a residential neighborhood of Tripoli.

shortly before a consignment of canisters used for home cooking and heating was slated to be dispatched to the store. The broadcast said the premature explosion in the empty store spared Lebanon's second largest city 80 kms north of Beirut a "catastrophic disaster." The state radio also said the Beirut police defused a car bomb parked in front of a hotel in the busy Hamra Street just a two-minute walk from the Associated Press offices in West Beirut at mid-morning.

## BRIEFS

AMMAN, (R) — British Defense Secretary John Nott who is in Jordan Monday met Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Army Commander-in-Chief Zeid Bin Haker.

CAIRO, (AFP) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat will visit Japan and China during the first half of November, the weekly *Masra*, organ of Sadat's National Democratic Party, reported Monday.

TEL AVIV, (AP) — French presidential adviser Jacques Attali met with Israel's President Yitzhak Navon for an hour Monday and discussed the Mideast situation and the Camp David peace process, Israel radio reported.

ISTANBUL, (R) — Turkish army officers Monday briefed visiting North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) chiefs-of-staff on the state of Turkey's armed forces, military officials said here Monday.

ATHENS, (AFP) — An earthquake measuring 4.95 on the open-ended Richter Scale rocked the town of Khalkis, 75 kms north of here.

SANAA, (R) — Muhammad Said Al-Attar, an assistant to United Nations Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, arrived in Sanaa Sunday for talks with North Yemeni leaders on their country's economic development.

ISLAMABAD, (R) — Islamabad's only daily newspaper, *The Muslim*, reappeared Sunday after a two-day suspension caused by a dispute with employees over sacked staff.

## For attacking Iraqi unit

# IAEA to study demand for expulsion of Israel

VIENNA, Sept. 21 (R) — The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) opened its 25th general conference Monday faced with a demand for the expulsion of Israel and deadlock over the choice of a new director.

The opening session approved an application by Zimbabwe to become the 111th member of the Vienna-based agency, which was set up in 1957 to promote peaceful uses of nuclear energy and prevent diversion of nuclear materials to military use.

Delegates from 90 nations will consider a recommendation by the agency's board of governors that Israel be expelled because of its attack on Iraq's nuclear research center last June.

In his opening speech, outgoing Director-General Sigvard Eklund said the Israeli raid had dealt a severe blow to the

1968 international non-proliferation treaty (NPT) which obliges signatories to open their nuclear installations to IAEA inspections. Israel, widely thought to be capable of conducting a nuclear explosion, has not signed the treaty.

Eklund, a Swede who has led the agency for two decades, called on the United Nations disarmament committee to consider a general ban on attacks on nuclear installations. "One shudders to think of the consequences of military attacks on any of the existing 260 nuclear power reactors, not to speak of the situation when, around 1985, their number may have increased to 430," he said.

Agency sources said a vote on the board's recommendation was not expected before Tuesday, with the United States and Canada certain to oppose suspension of Israel.

## U.S., Israel hold strategic talks

TEL AVIV, Sept. 21 (AP) — United States Assistant Secretary of Defense Frank West met with Defense Minister Ariel Sharon Monday to discuss strategic cooperation between the two countries, Israel radio reported. A defense ministry spokesman would not give details of the meeting.

West also met with several military officials, the state radio said. State Department Counselor Robert McFarlane stopped in Israel for a one-day private visit on his way

back to the United States from India. He was expected however, to meet officials to discuss strategic cooperation from the political aspect, the state radio reported.

Another delegation of State Department and Pentagon officials has been in Israel since Thursday. Its task is to put into effect an agreement signed by the Carter administration, under which the U.S. is to buy Israeli-made military equipment.

## For civilian officers

# Palestinians spurn Israeli offer

TEL AVIV, Sept. 21 (R) — Palestinian leaders in occupied territories Monday rejected reported Israeli proposals to replace military officers with civilians in the occupation authorities.

Press reports said Israel planned to appoint civilian administrators to supervise West Bank and Gaza Strip in day-to-day affairs which have been the responsibility of the military government since Israel occupied the regions in 1967.

The defense ministry refused to comment on the reports, but West Bank and Gaza leaders were quick to condemn the idea. The mayor of Nablus, Bassam al-Shaka, told the Arab East Jerusalem newspaper *Al-Fajr* that the proposal was "a desperate, futile attempt to undermine Palestinian unity." Palestinian mayors have recently expressed fears that Israel planned to force implementation of Palestinian autonomy in the occupied territories despite popular opposition.

Gaza Mayor Rashed al-Shawa told Israel

radio he believed the latest proposal was part of an attempt to force the 1.2 million Palestinians under occupation to accept self-rule.

"What really matters is changing the policy which the Israeli government has followed — not recognizing the right of the Palestinians to self-determination," he said.

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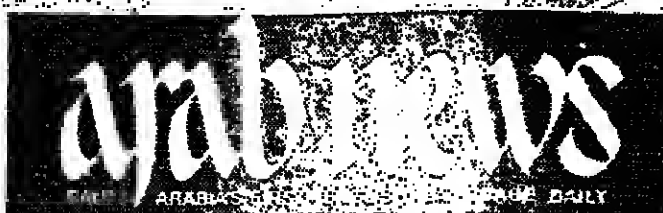
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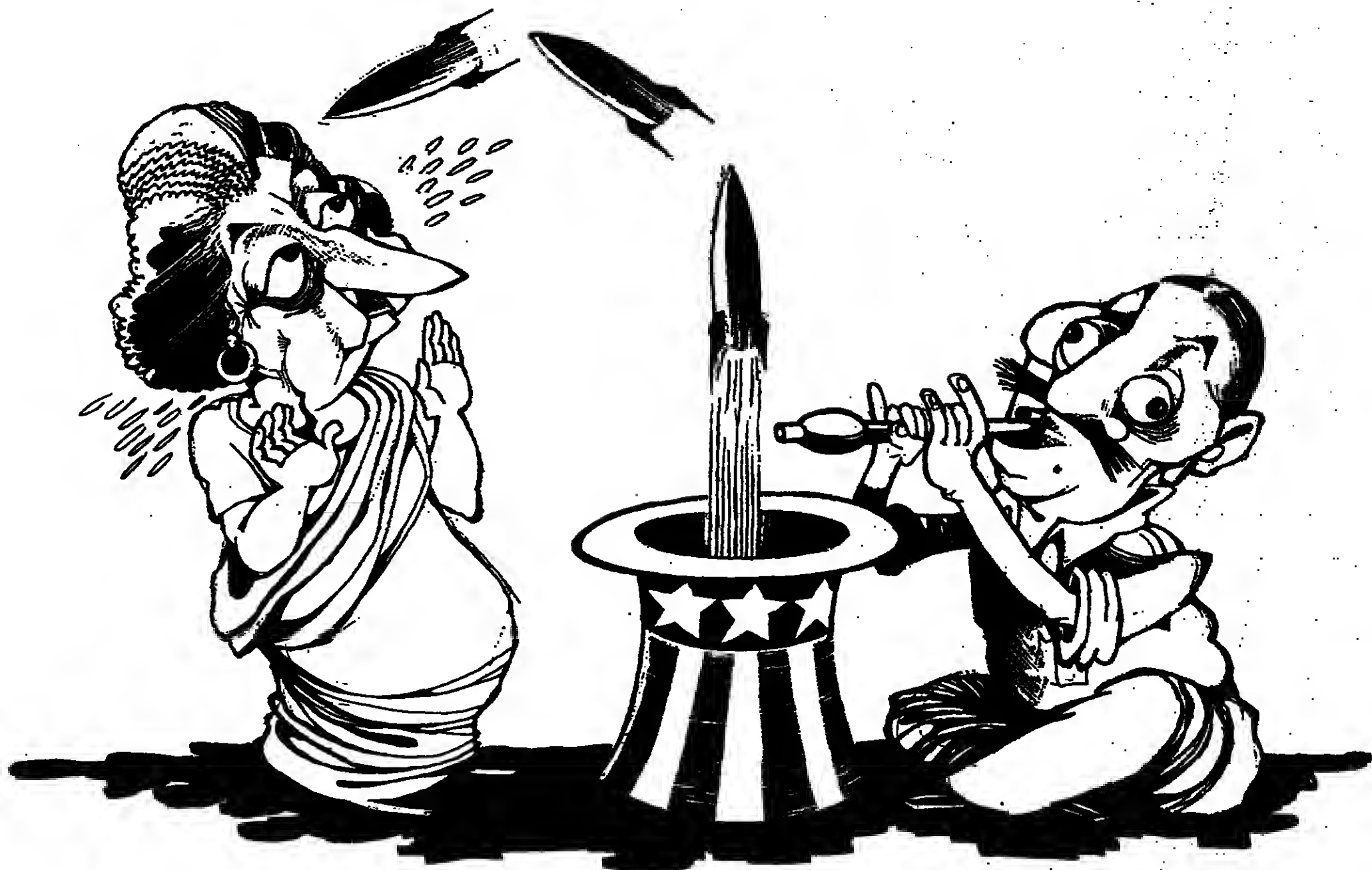
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## Strategy for the least developed nations

By a Special Correspondent

PARIS — An important breakthrough in international economic relations was achieved at the conclusion of the United Nations Conference on least developed countries which ended here Sept. 14 after a difficult and protracted round of negotiations lasting two weeks. Amidst initial pessimistic reports predicted for the outcome of the meeting, delegates from 142 countries finally agreed on a major new program of action for the coming decade to assist the least developed countries and help transform their economies using increased financial aid and other incentives.

The agreement climaxed a series of preparatory meetings and painstaking efforts made during various forums. Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) members also contributed to this effort. Problems of the least developed countries had occupied the attention of the OIC for some time as was evidenced by comprehensive resolutions adopted by the Third Islamic summit held in Makkah at Mukarramah in January of this year and the Twelfth Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers which met in Baghdad in June.

OIC Secretary General Habib Chatti's speech at the Paris conference highlighted the efforts being exerted by the organization to assist the least developed member states. He lauded the generous assistance of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other Gulf states who were contributing almost 4 to 6 percent of their GNP as development aid to the developing countries; an amount which was several times higher than the figure (0.7 percent) agreed upon at the United Nations as official development assistance (ODA). Chatti urged industrialized countries to increase the level of their assistance to the developing world and to give such aid on more favorable terms without any constraints and conditions.

OIC's interest in the problems of the least developed countries is natural and understandable since a majority of the least developed countries are members of the Organization of Islamic Conference. According to United Nations

categorizations, there are 31 countries listed as least developed, 16 of these are OIC members: Bangladesh, Chad, Comoro Islands, Djibouti, Gambia, Guinea, Maldives, Mali, Niger, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda, Upper Volta, Yemen Arab Republic, Democratic Republic of Yemen and Afghanistan (membership suspended).

But who is the 'least developed'? The classification was made in December, 1971 when the United Nations General Assembly identified 25 countries as being the least developed. The criteria established that these countries are among the lowest income group (\$150 or less per capita per annum) and have specific long term structural problems that require particular attention. Since 1971 more countries have been added to this list.

The least developed countries are not only the poorest and economically the weakest, but they also failed to show any signs of significant economic growth so that in per capita output terms, they have barely kept pace with the growth of their population. According to U.N. statistics, the gross domestic product of these countries taken as a group had grown from a level of \$123 per capita in 1960 to \$140 in 1978. At this rate, projections show that it shall not exceed \$152 in 1990. The least developed countries are thus barely at the subsistence level. Their prospects for

the future are gloomy unless massive doses of aid are injected in their economies and major transformations made in their internal economic structures to make use of this assistance and diversify their economies.

Recent global economic recession has further drained the already limited capacities of these countries. The drought which has afflicted the Sahel region since the early 1970s has added to the plight of a number of Africa's least developed countries located there. Finally, by a stroke of fate, the least developed countries or at least several of them also happen to be land-locked or surrounded by sea and face additional problems.

The Paris conference was motivated by the growing realization that special attention should be given to this group of developing countries in view of their peculiar problems which necessitate pursuance of policies of a different nature.

While the Paris conference can in no way be described as a resounding success since the agreement reached does not entirely meet the needs of the world's poor nations and leaves several loopholes for the donor countries, it has nevertheless inspired fresh life in the waning North-South dialogue which had come to a standstill.

## Capitalism returns to communes

By Jonathan Mirsky

LONDON —

Chinese peasantry, once accused of harboring 'a spontaneous tendency toward capitalism,' are now being officially urged to get rich. Only a few weeks ago fame settled upon a minor party functionary and convert to free enterprise who called for the abolition of the People's Communes.

China's agricultural bedrock, the communes were laid down by Mao in 1958 and organized the work of three-quarters of the country's people. The cadre claimed that permission to labor for themselves as well as for the state would unlock peas-

ants' self-interest and boost the rural productivity on which modernization depends. He advocated a 'responsibility system' allowing small collectives and individual families to retain what they produce once quotas are fulfilled.

Pushed by the party leadership, under the inspiration of Deng Xiaoping, the responsibility system — which Deng and Liu Shaoping had initiated before the Cultural Revolution smashed them and their programs in 1966 — is sweeping the country.

Some prosperous villages in central China's Anhui province have been raised to the position of national models by Peking Review, an honor which could suddenly become a curse if central policy shifts again.

One village leader stables his 34 sheep in three cottages no longer suitable for his family, and lives in a three-room house he built during the Cultural Revolution, for which he was labelled an 'upstart.' He proudly displays his sheep chickens, 200 trees, and his fish pond, rejections of Maoist austerity and sacrifice.

Last year he built three more rooms, funded partly by a rich future daughter-in-law, always a good investment in traditional rural China where new wives live with their in-laws. A neighboring village, according to the report, was once so poor that its young men could scarcely find wives willing to move in, and unmarried girls longed for husbands from outside.

Nowadays in the same once-poor village each household works for itself, paying taxes to the state, and keeping the surplus. Young men find brides readily, and 'outside' women are longed for by the local farmers. One 'outside' young woman confessed to the reporter that she could reveal her love for a peasant to her parents only when his village had 'an upswing in production' and her 'suppressed feeling were set free.'

An extremely well-off peasant (by Chinese standards), whose large family set a local record for grain production last year, built a new house and bought a bicycle, watch, sewing-machine, and 450 kilos of chemical fertilizer. But the most spectacular purchase was his own tractor, not long ago an impossible and even sedition dream for a Chinese farmer. In his commune such tractors are now the fashion.

At the local three-day fair — another form of 'capitalist' activity under fire during the Cultural Revolution — 100,000 peasants recently spent 80 percent of their money on consumer goods.

Another sign of private initiative were the fair's restaurants. At previous fairs the state-owned establishments were known for their rigid service, limited varieties of food, and long waits, according to Peking Review. At the newly-opened private stalls, by contrast, service was brisk and the fare varied. —(ONS)

## THE SUB-CONTINENT

It is true that future U.S.-supplied F-16s to Pakistan can reach industrial centers in India as New Delhi fears. It is also true that Islamabad will not take such a suicidal step in view of India's deterrent nuclear power. The claims of both sides expressing fears against the other do not serve peace in the Indian sub-continent, or the Sub-continent as others would like to call it.

The well-versed and capable politicians of the two countries are fully aware of the causes that tore their territories and polarized their peoples. India and Pakistan, are still paying, dearly, for the "divide to rule" policies of the former colonial power.

The Arab world is no different, the scars the mandatory powers have left in Palestine in particular, and in the Arab world in general, are the same scars clawed into India and Pakistan in 1947-48.

One must, however, commend India and Pakistan for maintaining diplomatic relations even during the darkest hours of the 1965 border war.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi and President Zia-ul-Haq are no kids to be reminded of the recent colonial past, neither is irresponsible enough not to forecast the change of political winds coming from the Yellow East and the Red North.

Claims and counter-claims, paralleled by building up the two countries armed forces will not protect them against external dangers — they would rather help destroy themselves. However, it is a national right for both countries to build-up their armed forces but only to plug dangers spill over from the superpowers next door.

Despite their differences, India and Pakistan must not fear each other as much as fearing attempts to pull them apart by foreign designs.

## Saudi Arabian Press Review

Newspapers Monday mostly led with King Khaled's messages to the leaders of the member states of the Gulf Cooperation Council, sent through Sheikh Muhammad Ibrahim Masoud, minister of state and member of the Council of Ministers. Meanwhile, *Al-Madina* and *Al-Bilad* headlined French President Francois Mitterrand's impending visit to the Kingdom and *Okaz* gave lead coverage to the arrival of Maltese Premier Dom Mintoff and his imminent talks with the Saudi Arabian leadership on bilateral relations and ways to develop existing ties, especially in the fields of economy and tourism.

Newspapers frontpaged South Yemeni President Ali Nasser Muhammad's message to the King, delivered in Taif Sunday by Abdullah Ahmed Ghanem, special envoy of the Yemeni leader. They also highlighted a new wave of executions in Iran, quoting Radio Tehran as saying that 101 persons were shot dead on Saturday. The Afghan freedom-fighters' attack on the Soviet embassy in Kabul was prominently mentioned on the front page of the Kingdom's newspapers, which also reported that Israel seeks \$3 billion in the form of assistance from the U.S. Makkah Governor Prince Majed's tour of pilgrimage sites Tuesday figured as page one story in the newspapers.

*Al-Madina* discussed Crown Prince Fahd's peace plan, with special reference to his visit to some West European capitals, where his talks were centered on the Kingdom's initiative. The paper said that the French diplomats are talking about the Saudi-French summit meeting in Taif next week and its concentration on the Saudi Arabian initiative and the ways of streamlining it with the European initiative, so that a further impetus is given to peace efforts in the region. The paper also mentioned that the Kingdom's proposal will be the subject of discussion at the current session of the U.N. General Assembly.

*Okaz* dealt with President Mitterrand's forthcoming visit to Saudi Arabia, saying that it assumes a special significance at the Arab, Islamic and international levels. The paper was convinced that the French leader's talks with King Khaled will cover a variety of subjects,

since both countries can contribute in the process of international peace and stability within the framework of consultation and coordination. It added that France can play a more effective role within the European community to prevail upon America and the free world to exert maximum efforts to put an end to the Middle East crisis. President Mitterrand has chosen Saudi Arabia for his maiden visit to the region, in full recognition of this country's constructive role in the process of international peace and stability, said the paper.

Meanwhile, *Al-Jazirah* dwelt on the AWACS aircraft deal saying that Saudi Arabia did not take recourse to the method of bargaining, by exploiting American interests and pressuring Washington to agree to its demands. The Kingdom did not do this because of its respect for moral values in its policy and international relations. It described the AWACS row as an internal dispute of America among the political forces of that country.

Without being affected by the support for the deal or opposition to it, "we have to watch with alertness all this din inside America on the fate of AWACS deal. What actually concerns us is the outcome of this internal tussle which will give a pointer to the future relations between the two countries as well as the future tussle between Israel and Arabs and America's role in tackling this tangle, the paper added.

*Al-Riyadh* referred to the strategic alliance between the U.S. and Israel and noted that the former should not have seen the need of signing such an accord which already existed between them for the past more than 30 years. The signing of the accord was timed to coincide with Egyptian President Sadat's partial declaration of the failure of the Camp David accords, as also with Saudi Arabia's declaration of its peace plan which observers and political analysts consider as an objective alternative to Camp David, the paper added.



Israel will discuss only technical matters during the "autonomy" talks next week.

Al-Riyadh

## Afghanistan debate at U.N.

By James W. Hutton

NEW DELHI — The opening of the U.N. General Assembly session was preceded by a swirl of diplomatic activity by the Soviet Union, and Afghanistan aimed at demonstrating new flexibility about negotiating a Soviet military pullout from Afghanistan.

Western analysts find little prospect for progress on the issue, but see the moves as aimed only at blunting another U.N. vote against the Soviet Union. The apparently orchestrated campaign started Aug. 24 when Radio Kabul, voice of President Babrak Karmal's Afghan government, broadcast a new set of conditions for talks with Afghanistan's neighbors.

On the same day, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Nikolai Fyryubin arrived in Pakistan for talks with President Muhammad Zia-ul-Haq. That was just three weeks before the General Assembly was scheduled to reconvene in New York and, a Western diplomat here said, "The timing can't be a coincidence." From Pakistan, Fyryubin flew to neighboring India to talk with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

India is a close friend of Moscow and abstained both times when the General Assembly overwhelmingly voted to condemn the entry of Soviet troops into Afghanistan in December 1979. Mrs. Gandhi has been particularly mild in her criticism, calling only for the removal of "foreign troops" from Afghanistan without naming them as Soviet.

Just after Fyryubin, Afghan Foreign Minister Shah Muhammad Dost called on Mrs. Gandhi, one of the leaders of the nonaligned movement. "Flexible" was the word heard again and again during Dost's visit early this month. Dost, according to Indian officials, wanted Mrs. Gandhi and the world to know that the pro-Soviet Kabul government was prepared to be "flexible" on procedural matters connected with talks with its staunchly Islamic neighbors, Iran and Pakistan.

Afghanistan had insisted on joint talks with the two. Now Kabul was willing to meet them separately, or just with Pakistan, if Iran continued to demur, and in the presence of a U.N. representative. In Kabul's view, the talks would be about ending "outside interference" in "Afghanistan's internal affairs," meaning an end to the alleged flow of weapons and money across the borders to anti-government insurgents. Ending such "interference," Kabul and Moscow say, would permit withdrawal of part of the Soviet troops.

Kabul, however, still insisted on government-to-government talks with Iran and Pakistan, which both nations complain would be tantamount to formally recognizing a regime which they regard as illegal. They have been ready to talk with Kabul leaders in their capacity as representatives of Afghanistan's ruling party.

Kabul's "flexibility" was seen by some observers as the "carrot" of a "carrot and stick" approach. The "stick" in their view, could be the two alleged violations in three days by Afghanistans forces of Pakistan's border. Kabul denied the charge of violations, which produced strong diplomatic protests by Pakistan.

India's External Affairs Minister P.V.N. Rao said Sept. 8 that efforts should continue for a political solution in Afghanistan. "even if some countries wrongly consider it to their advantage not to move forward," Mrs. Gandhi was less vague when she told a French reporter that Pakistan and "much bigger countries" are taking advantage of the Soviet military presence in Afghanistan and do not want a settlement that would allow Moscow to withdraw.

Dost told a Soviet reporter last Sunday that the United States and China had "created" the Afghan crisis for their own ends. The series of events appears aimed at maintaining pressure on Pakistan and embarrassing it, said a Western diplomat, who did not want to be identified by name or country. The Soviet Union "probably hopes to do slightly better (in the United Nations) than with the resolution last year," he added. —(AP)



## Mother plans appeal

## 'Humane' drug death planned for killer

By Simon Alterman

NEW YORK (R) — The next execution in Oklahoma is likely to be the nation's first using killer drugs, despite the objections of lawyers and civil rights groups. Legislators in Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Idaho have passed laws over the past four years adopting a lethal injection as the method of execution, replacing the rope, the gas chamber and the electric chair with what they see as a more humane method.

But none of the four states had come close to using it until this month, when a convicted murderer in Oklahoma decided not to proceed with appeals against his death sentence. A federal judge ruled that Thomas Lee Hays, 45, was mentally competent when he told an Oklahoma court of his decision, but postponed the execution from Sept. 14 to Oct. 9.

Lawyers acting for Hays mother have until then to persuade federal judges to hear appeals against the original conviction and have vowed to take the case to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary.

But the method of execution Hays faces is itself still the subject of legal action. Lawyers acting for a group of condemned men on death row in Texas and Oklahoma do not accept that execution by injection is necessary as humane as its advocates believe. Last December, they petitioned a federal regulatory agency to test whether the cocktail of drugs Oklahoma prescribed for its executions would provide a quick and painless death.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the watchdog on drug use, declined to intervene, saying the matter was one for states to decide for themselves. The lawyers now plan to ask a federal court to compel the FDA to run tests, as it does in all cases where existing drugs are prescribed for a new purpose. They point out that veterinarians are bound by stringent FDA regulations when destroying animals.

If their suit is successful, no state is likely to carry out such an execution until the FDA

completes its tests. In Oklahoma, however, preparations for the state's first execution for 15 years are complete. According to these plans, about 45 minutes before the scheduled execution time, Hays will be strapped down and a paramedic will start an intravenous drip of a harmless saline solution.

Watched by some 30 prison officials, guards, clergy, lawyers, local reporters and his own witnesses, Hays will be wheeled conscious into the chamber at the state penitentiary which used to house the electric chair. The executioner, a volunteer concealed behind a screen, will then open a valve allowing a barbiturate to replace the saline solution, putting Hays to sleep.

Another valve will then release a mixture of paralyzing drugs which officials expect to kill Hays within a minute. Some five minutes later, a doctor present throughout the procedure will pronounce Hays dead.

The role of medical personnel is one of the most controversial aspects of the issue. The American Medical Association last year decided that doctors should not take part in such legalized killing in contravention of their hippocratic oath. Oklahoma's prison doctor will only certify death.

Amnesty International, the London-based human rights organization is asking doctors around the world to express their dismay at medical technology and personnel of any sort being used for killing. The spokesman for the group in New York said that in addition to the paramedic who will start the execution, people trained to preserve life will have to prescribe and mix the drugs.

Civil rights groups and lawyers have also expressed concern over the practical difficulties involved in the procedure. They raise the possibility that if dosages are miscalculated, the convict could wake up before the paralyzing drugs take effect. More serious still they say, is the prospect of prison guards being used to restrain an unwilling victim. Although officials say an inmate's limbs would be totally immobilized, many groups fear a needle might cut say in the arm of a struggling prisoner. In Oklahoma, moreover, humanitarian grounds were not the sole reason behind the decision to adopt this method.

Prison officials said the cost of replacing the state's aging electric chair with a gas chamber was estimated at \$250,000 in 1977, when death penalty legislation was under consideration. Legislators who have recently voted \$60 million for prison construction were impressed by an estimate that executions by injection could be carried out for only \$20 each.

Idaho and New Mexico, which each have just one prisoner under sentence of death, apparently have not made preparations to carry out executions. Neither has yet decided which drugs will be used.

Such controversy over capital punishment is not unusual in the United States. Heated debate surrounded the Supreme Court's moratorium on executions in 1972, and its ruling four years later that capital punishment was constitutional. Executions in fact came to a halt in 1967 as the issue was taken to the Supreme Court, and many Americans thought they would never resume.

Since the Supreme Court's 1976 ruling there have been just four executions, all but one of men like Hays who preferred to die rather than go through long, drawn-out appeals.

Lawyers for Hays' mother however, remain convinced that his case will not become another landmark in American legal history. They say that despite the ruling, Hays, an alcoholic, is not mentally sound and has tried to commit suicide at least three times while in prison. In any case, they say they are confident that appeals, based on the alleged incompetence of Hays' first lawyer, will be successful.

Some 847 other prisoners on death row in American prisons will be watching the outcome of the various legal actions, none more keenly than the 142 Texas and the 36 in Oklahoma who face the same form of execution as Hays.

## Japanese youth depicted

## Author describes feeling 'Crystal' as aimless, self-indulgent existence

By Todd Carhel

TOKYO (AP) — A thin novel about Japan's younger generation has become a best-seller and required reading for anyone who wants to be one of the "Crystal" people. *Somewhat Crystal*, has sold more than 1.1 million copies since it was published last January. Appealing mainly to urban teenagers and young adults, it has spawned a movie and won a literary award.

The story concerns a young Tokyo model and her rock-musician boyfriend, students with lots of time and money for self-indulgence. In their aimless movements from chic boutiques to cake shops to discos, the image-conscious duo is bound by that "Somewhat Crystal" feeling — shared tastes for consumption and comfort that propel them through a passionless existence.

The author and inventor of the term "Crystal" is Yasuo Tanaka, a 25-year-old law graduate of a Tokyo university. Excerpts from the manuscript won the annual literary award of Japan's prestigious *Bungei* 16 magazine last October, before the book was published.

The meaning of "Crystal" not being clear, Tanaka sought in a recent talk to foreign journalists to blow away some of the murk. He said it connoted "a feeling-good feeling" in Japan's stable society where people do not

worry that another oil shock might disrupt their comfortable affluence.

"Crystal," he said, allows people to see their future with limited clarity, as "Crystal lets you see things through a cloudy reflection."

Tanaka said members of this young "Crystal Generation" identify themselves and their roles by appearances, what they wear and what they acquire.

It means wearing clothes with the right designer names, going to the right restaurants and discos, perhaps having a certain type of car with a surfboard lashed to the roof.

The streets of Tokyo, thronged by young people dressed in similar clothes — often fads that have long since run their course in America and Europe — give credence to the idea. So does a recent government survey of Japanese youth showing 78.3 percent were content with their lives.

Tanaka said, however, that being "Crystal" was not just a fad, but "an approach toward life." The Crystal mentality involves a kind of "selective spending" governed by one's "psychological purse," he said.

He cited the example of an office lady who will spend \$43 of her \$580 monthly pay on a meal at a French bistro, or buy a \$129 designer sweater to wear with a \$61 "bargain basement" skirt.

By Jean Grant

RIVER ROUGE, Quebec, — "If you don't feel threatened, then you should. White water rafting is a high risk activity," W3 leader Whom Roy warned subdued men, women and children grouped around him beside a rocky shore in Quebec's unspoiled wilderness. Jaded by roller coaster rides and surfing, they were there for thrills and spills, ready to face the rapids. Ranging in age from 12 to 65, burly or plump, reasonably fit or absurdly out-of-shape — the Montreal-based adventure group called W3 was taking them all on.

White-water rafting — paddling for dear life through rapids — has caught on as a sport. In the London Underground, posters advertise white-water rafting in Nepal. In the Philippines, tourists can slalom through jungle waterways down to the Panjansung Falls. In Canada, after Prime Minister Trudeau ventured forth onto the rapids a year ago, the popularity of the sport surged. It's one of the high-growth sports in the American West too.

"Always check out the river before you go," advised Roy. "Know the river so you can plan your path ahead." Grimly the group followed him, scrambling from boulder to boulder along the rock-strewn shore, each glance down to the river more devastating than the one before. The "Whirlpool," the "Turbo," and the "Washing Machine." Such are the fearful names given the runs. Lack of imagination possibly caused some rafters to carelessly peer down at the frothy waters below. Visions of ribbons of flesh danced before other rafters' eyes. Canadian history tells of the Voyageurs, strong, fearless men who always portaged the rapids, knowing their hark canoes would be torn apart by the white water. Who were these city-folk to try what the Voyageurs had, in their pioneering wisdom, avoided?

At least everyone had life jackets, bright orange packs with a guarantee of 30 pounds flotation. One raft was named the Titanic, and so, the guide said, was "unsinkable." At least this Titanic's rubber-coated nylon-mesh body had six air chambers to keep it

afloat. No, the rafters probably wouldn't sink, nor would the 15-foot raft, but the rafters might be mangled on the River Rouge's sharp rocks. Several canoeists, in fact, died last spring in the swift waters of the same river.

The Titanic's helmswoman was Tracy, blonde and cute. Could this soft-spoken slip of a girl steer the raft through 8 kilometers of white water unscathed? Her hiccups were Amazonian, but a great Tarzan of a male with a baritone voice might have been more reassuring to first-time rafters.

Entering "Turbo," the first of the rapids, many rafters shut their eyes. Then, with a great whoosh, the force of the water plunked everyone down in the raft a foot or two away from their assigned perch. A 12-year-old boy who had been full of sass and bravado before starting was tossed into the drink. The rafters grabbed his foot and yanked him back on board, wetter and wiser for the experience. Then, heeding Tracy's shout of "DIG!" everyone dipped and pulled, all eyes on the paddle in front.

The day-adventurer doesn't need skill to

slip between the rocks. What he does need is an accomplished helmsman, wise in the ways of the river, and willingness to obey the commands blindly. Most of the W3 helmsmen are physical education teachers. All have extensive training in Wilderness First Aid and several years' experience on the river. "We do it," explained helmsman Malcolm Cox "for the excitement and love of the outdoor life."

spring Rafting Thrilling

Despite winter temperatures of — 1°C (—30°F), the river never freezes because of the strength of its current. The rafting season extends from late April through October, but the most thrilling months are April and May when tons of melting snow dumped into the river by the spring thaw make the Rouge run fast and deep. Frothy waters hide the rocks and make it tricky for a helmsman to steer a path through them. Many are tossed overboard in the swirling waters, carried downstream by the current, and picked up later, usually little the worse for wear apart from a few bruises.



QUEBEC'S RIVER ROUGE: Facing the rapids in a four-man raft. The rafting season here extends from late April through October and the thrilling months are April and May when tons of melting snow make the river run fast and deep.

## Despite religious tolerance

## Stone-throwing mobs, hostile officials greet arrival of 'Moonies' as a threat to families

By Kenneth Freed

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, (LAT) — This South American nation is a country of wide religious tolerance, a place where some white middle-class Roman Catholics cheerfully practice the rites of black African witchcraft. Yet amidst this tolerance, a new Christian sect is being greeted by stone-throwing mobs and hostile government officials.

The object is the crusade led by the Rev. Sun Myung Moon and his followers in Brazil in 1976, but only last year did they register as an official religion. And not until the last few months did they start serious efforts to convert Brazilian youngsters.

It was apparently the move to enlist young people that set off the violence and attempts to repress the sect.

"We can accept almost any religious practice here," an official of the Justice Ministry said in the capital, Brasilia. "But the sanctity of the family is under attack now, and there are questions of fraud and enticement of minors as well."

There is a joyful and obvious attachment to the family, with children the objects of near-veneration. It is this family solidarity that many Brazilians fear is under attack by the Moonies.

My boy was good, without vices, hard-working, honest. He had many friends," said the mother of a teen-ager who has joined a Moonie group in Rio De Janeiro.

"Now I see my son destroyed. They have taken away his mind and replaced it with one so dumb," the mother, Neusa Aragao Barros said.

Her perception is widely accepted in Brazil and is fanned by the media, particularly television. Of the seven documented attacks on Moonie temples throughout Brazil in August, all took place within a week of a sensational newscast on Rede Globo, the country's most watched television network.

In an expose on a widely viewed program called "Fantastico," an exuberant version of CBS' "60 Minutes," the narrator likened the Rev. Moon's religious techniques to "Chinese brainwashing."

The Moonies, the broadcast charged, "threaten all Brazilians." It referred to Moon as "the leader of an immense sect of fanatics that ... entices minors, preaches the separation of families and illicitly exploits the work of indoctrinated youth."

In the days after the broadcast, and after the large-circulation newspapers in Rio De Janeiro and Sao Paulo picked up the story, the violence against the Moonies began and spread.

In Brasilia, 300 people stormed the cult's temple, throwing stones and bottles and covering the building with garbage. In Recife, the scene was repeated, and only machine gun-wielding police officers finally prevented the mob from destroying the temple.

The reaction of national and local officials has been to tacitly condone the attack and to invoke the law against the Moon organization. Juvenile court judges have closed Moonie temples for allowing street-peddling without a license. They also have ruled that a child under 18 cannot join the sect and that

no person between 18 and 21 can become a Moonie without written authorization from their parents.

Justice ministry sources say the government intends to repress the sect and will invoke Brazil's Foreigners Law against it.

This is a decree used by the government to deport foreigners who lack proper visas and those found to be acting against the interests of the state.

Unification church leaders in Brazil have refused to comment on the controversy and the sect has few public defenders.



WORK PAUSE: Two Japanese farm workers pause of their tools during a day's work in rice paddy fields. They work knee-deep in mud, this photo makes an interesting study in Oriental labor techniques.



## At Commonwealth meeting

## Australia to resist attacks on S. Africa

CANBERRA, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Australia has decided not to allow attacks on South Africa's apartheid policies or other racial problems to take over the Commonwealth heads of government meeting in Melbourne, beginning in 10 days, informed sources said Monday.

Foreign Minister Tony Street is to tell the United Nations General Assembly Tuesday that participants in the Sept. 30 to Oct. 8 meeting would focus attention on North-South issues, and especially on policies to fight Third World poverty, sources said.

Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser, meanwhile, said in a radio interview that no single

issue would dominate the meeting. But observers said the prime minister, who as host will chair the conference, wishes to kill, once and for all, any idea that Australia has racial prejudices.

So he is prepared to discuss privately such potentially explosive issues as land rights for the Australian aborigines, but will avoid any full executive debate on these matters among the more than 40 countries represented. Australia is also eager to examine North-South relations, since international consideration of the matter has been limited this year, the sources said.

This emphasis was viewed as particularly important because some of the countries represented in Melbourne will also be at the North-South conference in Cancun, Mexico, later in October. A strong stance on North-South matters in Melbourne could force the United States to make stronger commitments toward Third World nations, the observers said.

Other potential topics include the independence of Namibia, which Australia would like to see settled on the basis of already existing United Nations resolutions. Officials here expect this to be a major question, unless the contact group made up of Britain, Canada, France, West Germany and the United States reaches a resolution at this week's meetings with South Africa in Zurich and New York.

Australia and New Zealand are also determined to retain the Gleneagles agreement discouraging, but not banning, sporting contacts with South Africa, sources said. Other Commonwealth countries have put pressure on the two countries to work more actively against such contacts.

But Britain and Australia believe that New Zealand fulfilled its commitment under the four-year-old accord during a tour of the South Africa Springboks rugby team earlier this month, sources said. They added that the Gleneagles agreement was likely to be reaffirmed.

The Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, will be the site of the Commonwealth conference. The structure, built in 1880 for an international exhibition, housed the first Australian Parliament after federation in 1901. The building contains a series of halls with an area of 20,680 square meters, and housed several events during the 1956 Melbourne Olympic Games.

The Australian government is spending \$14 million on security alone. Streets will be closed to traffic in Melbourne, a city of more than two million people, twice a day to allow heads of Commonwealth countries to be escorted safely to and from the conference.

## For publishing book before clearance

## U.S. plans to sue former CIA director

NEW YORK, Sept. 21 (AP) — The federal government plans to sue former CIA Director William E. Colby for publishing his 1978 memoir, *Honorable Men*, before clearing all editions with his former employer, *Newsweek* magazine reported Sunday.

The magazine said in its current edition that the suit was the Reagan administration's latest effort to stop leaks of sensitive information and show that it will not tolerate breaches in the legal contracts of government employees.

Federal law prohibits the unauthorized dissemination of national security information by both former and present employees. The decision to sue also shows that the administration's efforts to plug leaks will not be limited only to the "little fish," the magazine said, quoting an unnamed senior administration official.

Asked about the *Newsweek* report, Justice Department spokesman Dean St. Dennis said in Washington Sunday night, "I just can't say anything about that at all tonight." The alleged security breach occurred when galley proofs of Colby's book reached a French publisher before the



William Colby

Central Intelligence Agency examined it. The galley contained sensitive material that revealed that the CIA spyship, *Glomar Explorer*, had failed to recover nuclear missiles, steering and transmission devices and codes from a Soviet submarine three miles below the surface of the Pacific ocean.

Citing government sources, the magazine said Colby and the government will most likely reach a consent agreement, with the former director agreeing to turn over some of his book profits to the government.

The magazine also said the administration has ordered investigations of several possible national security leaks. They include the disappearance of State Department policy papers on Southern Africa, the removal of MX-missile studies from the Pentagon and the acquisition of position papers on Pakistan by an NBC reporter.

*Newsweek* also said CIA Director William J. Casey asked the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to conduct an internal investigation into CIA leaks. Top FBI officials, however, have rejected the idea because they do not believe the FBI should be working for the agency, *Newsweek* said.

## Duarte seeks American appreciation

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AFP) — President Jose Napoleon Duarte of El Salvador has said here that he was paying a 10-day official visit to the United States to help the Americans understand the situation in his country, not to ask for aid. Duarte acknowledged, however, that his country needed communications equipment and helicopters in part to control the spread of arms, and some \$300 million in aid.

"We don't need more American advisers or troops. I reject U.S. troops as any other troops," said the Salvadoran junta leader, who arrived here Saturday, in an interview Sunday with the CBS television network. He said he only sought "comprehension from the American people", and was in the United States to explain the El Salvador's current problems, which he said have to be solved by the Salvadorans, themselves.

Duarte, who is to meet with President Ronald Reagan Monday ruled out any negotiations with Salvadoran rebels at this time as France and Mexico have suggested. "What kind of negotiations do they mean?" he asked. "Would the United States accept to negotiate democracy or their way of life?"

Duarte said he was ready to discuss democracy with the Salvadoran opposition but said that the rebels should lay down their arms. Asked about atrocities, notably those committed by the army, Duarte said that there has been "cultural violence for years" in El Salvador and that his aim was to bring this violence under control.

He also said he was convinced that the army would agree to move toward democracy. Duarte charged that Nicaragua served as a Salvadoran terrorist base, and said there was no doubt that Nicaragua was used to move arms from Libya, Cuba and other Communist countries into El Salvador.

About the murder of four American Catholic nuns in El Salvador last winter, Duarte said that six suspects had been arrested but that it was up to the military courts to determine the outcome of the case.

## Swedish leader quits

STOCKHOLM, Sept. 21 (AFP) — The leader of Sweden's Conservative Party, 70-year-old Goesta Bohman, announced his resignation Monday for health and family reasons. Bohman was minister of the economy from 1976 until last May, when the Conservatives withdrew from the center-right coalition. He had been party leader since 1970.

His successor is expected to be his onetime cabinet colleague 40-year-old Ulf Adelsson. This former communications minister might be named leader at next month's Conservative Party congress, informed sources said.

## U.K. Labor remains split before conference

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AFP) — A week before the start of its annual conference, the British Labor Party seems further away than ever from resolving internal disagreements between moderates and left-wingers. Observers believe that unless an accord can soon be reached, Labor may eventually forfeit its place as Britain's main opposition party.

The first full day of the congress, the party's 80th, which takes place from Sept. 27 to Oct. 2 in Brighton, southern England, will see voting in the hotly contested election for party deputy leader.

The issue has split the party for months, since Tony Benn, unofficial head of Labor's extreme left, announced he would stand against Denis Healey, a moderate who has held the post since last autumn.

The two men have had lively exchanges

## Ex-army officer goes on trial in U.S.

JACKSONVILLE, Florida, Sept. 21 (R) — Former U.S. Army Warrant Officer Joseph Helmich went on trial Monday accused of selling secret codes and equipment to the Soviet Union in 1963 and 1964 while he was attached to the U.S. Embassy in Paris. Among the 53 listed prosecution witnesses is retired Gen. William Westmoreland, who commanded U.S. forces in Vietnam in the late 1960s.

The government alleges that information supplied by Helmich could have enabled Moscow to monitor American messages dur-

ing the Vietnam War and pass them on to the North Vietnamese. Helmich, 44, has pleaded not guilty to one count of conspiracy and three of espionage. He could be sentenced to life imprisonment on each count if convicted.

The two candidates and Labor's leader, Michael Foot were given varying receptions at the rally. Benn was warmly applauded. Foot was greeted more coldly, and militants loudly jeered Healey, preventing him from delivering his speech.

London political observers said the Birmingham incident perfectly illustrated the crisis in the party. Militants no longer had confidence in its leadership and sought a more leftist program, which was far from reflecting the wishes of Labor voters in general. Leaders' hesitation since Labor's 1979

election defeat and labor-affiliated union power struggles have only added to internal confusion.

A consequence of the difficulties has been a loss in public support, with opinion polls showing that Labor has only a four-point lead over Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Conservative Party, despite Britain's economic woes. The Social Democrat Party (SDP), founded six months ago by dissident Labor moderates, has been profiting greatly from Labor's declining influence.

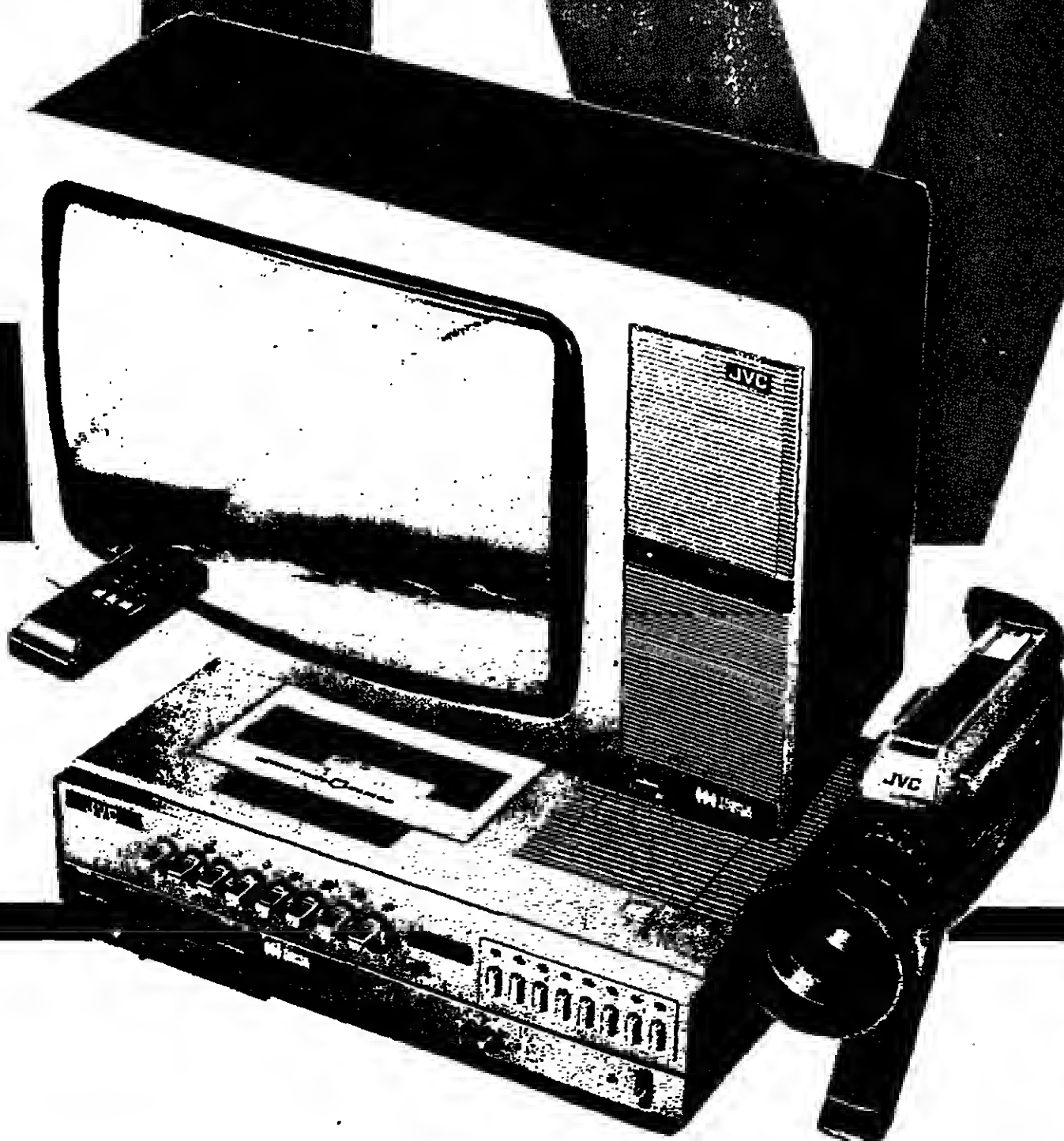
Choice of Labor's deputy leader will be made by an electoral college, where trade unionists will take 40 percent of the seats.

The rest will be shared between Labor's members of parliament and its constituency branches. If Healey keeps the job the party may continue to experience strength-sapping dissensions.

If, on the other hand, Benn is elected, the party is likely to adopt policies dearer to those the militants want. Observers feel such a swing to the left would be followed by a reduction in the size of the labor group in the House of Commons, some members of which prefer to join the SDP than to serve under Benn.

Latest forecasts give a slight advantage to Healey, but political observers wondered if the unions would support a leader who has been totally rejected by the militant base of his own party.

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# Two held for plot against Gandhi

NEW DELHI, Sept. 21 (AP) — Two young Indians accused of plotting to assassinate Prime Minister Indira Gandhi were ordered by a local magistrate Monday to be held for police questioning, the United News of India reported.

Magistrate B. B. Dutt ordered K. P. Singh and G. D. Singh, who were arrested Sept. 16 in Bihar state, northeastern India, to eight more days in police detention for interrogation, UNI said. Their appearance in Dutt's court provided the first disclosure here of the arrest.

Police told the magistrate that a third man, S. Podar, believed to be in Calcutta, also was involved in the plot. They alleged that the unnamed Marg, a controversial spiritual-political sect with followers in the United States and Western Europe, inspired the plot. Law enforcement officers reported to Dutt that the two Singhs had offered to help police state grenades and ammunition from a house in the Indian capital, apparently kept for an attack on Mrs. Gandhi. The accused were charged with criminal conspiracy to commit an offense punishable with death and legal possession of arms and explosives.

Further details about the case were not disclosed and a police official declined to discuss the case saying it would "hamper investigations."

The alleged conspiracy was made public only two days before a scheduled Sept. 23-24, 9, five-nation tour of Southeast Asia and Australia by the 62-year-old prime minister, was the fifth reported plot against Mrs. Gandhi or attempt on her life in the past five years.

In another recent case, the government aimed that four persons sought to sabotage a plane shortly before an official visit to Switzerland and the Middle East in May this year. The case is being tried in a Bombay court.

However, Monday's case was the first linking the Anand Marg group with a plot against Mrs. Gandhi. The Anand Marg, which means "path of bliss," was banned during Mrs. Gandhi's previous administration in the 1975-77 state of emergency. The ban was lifted after her stunning defeat in the 1977 general election.

The Marg became internationally prominent after the arrest of its founder, P. R. Sarkar, on a murder-conspiracy charge. His imprisonment led to attacks on Indian embassies and personnel abroad allegedly by Marg followers. Sarkar was released in July, 1978, after the Bihar high court overruled a 76-conviction against him by a lower court.

Marg leaders in India have maintained that Sarkar's organization stands for nonviolence and that terrorist acts committed in its name are aimed at giving a bad image to the "path of bliss." The Marg, which is staunchly anti-communist, claims three million followers in India and one million abroad.

In a separate development, the man accused of attempting to assassinate Mrs. Gandhi last year, affirmed that he threw a life at her. Ram Bulchand Lalwani, a native of the western city of Baroda, told judge V. B. Usal that he wrote and signed a statement Saturday admitting in throwing a knife at a prime minister.

The missile missed her and Lalwani, currently in judicial custody, was overpowered by security men outside parliament house. Some relatives have said he is mentally balanced.

In an unrelated development, officials Monday ordered paramilitary troops to patrol the northern Indian city of Jullundur as death toll in rioting in Punjab state, triggered by the arrest of a Sikh community leader, rose to at least 12, the United News of India said.

"Police reported that three persons succumbed to gunshot wounds, two in Jullundur and one in Amritsar. At least four others were reported in critical condition.

The death in an Amritsar hospital pushed to east 9 the number of fatalities in Sunday's rioting at a mob which attacked them inside the detained Sikh leader's temple at Bha Chowk village.

However, the Indian Express newspaper said that at least 12 persons were slain in the rioting between the bearded, turned Sikhs and police.



SEARCH FOR BODIES: Rescuers in small boats search for bodies of shipwreck victims in the Amazon River Sunday. Some 300 persons were presumed drowned when the *Sobral Santos* suddenly capsized close to the Amazon port of Obidos Saturday.

## Politicians warned

# Mugabe's rival deplores single-party move

BULAWAYO, Zimbabwe, Sept. 21 (AP) — The junior partner in Zimbabwe's coalition government, Joshua Nkomo, has rejected the immediate need for a one-party state as advocated by Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, it was reported Monday.

Nkomo, who is Mugabe's chief political rival, described as "premature" moves toward a single-party system, common in all but four black-ruled countries in Africa, the *Chronicle* newspaper here reported.

Nkomo, whose minority Patriotic Front (PF) holds 20 of the 100 executive national assembly seats, told a rally in the Midlands town of Gwelo Sunday it would also have to

be acceptable to the 7.4 million people of Zimbabwe as a whole.

Nkomo was speaking as Mugabe, president of the majority Zimbabwe African National Union (Patriotic Front) that holds 57 seats, was addressing hundreds of youthful supporters on the need for a one-party state.

But Mugabe said his party would first have to build itself up stronger "before paving the way for a one-party state." In previous statements Mugabe has said he wants to get popular support through a national referendum to introduce the single-party system.

Mugabe was addressing ZANU (PF) youths who marched to his official residence

bearing placards supporting a one-party state and calling on the premier to detain three minority politicians for allegedly collaborating with neighboring white-ruled South Africa.

Mugabe himself has previously warned the three — the founder of the ruling party, the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole, the last prime minister, white-backed bishop Abel Muzorewa, and the last white minority premier, Ian D. Smith — they risked being "punished" for making subversive anti-government statements.

Mugabe renewed this threat Sunday when he told the youths he had seen a detention center in Chiweshe tribal reserve near Salisbury suitable for Muzorewa.

# Viet conquest of Cambodia may be referred to U.N. panel

BANGKOK, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Countries opposed to the Vietnamese conquest of Cambodia may refer the issue to the United Nations General Assembly's Decolonization Committee this year, diplomats said here Monday.

Vietnam has rejected successive General Assembly resolutions calling for the withdrawal of its troops from Cambodia, as well as a similar appeal from a U.N.-sponsored international conference held in New York last July.

The diplomats, who asked not to be identified, said submitting the issue to the Decolonization Committee, one of six permanent General Assembly panels, would set into motion an entire set of rules that apply to "colonized" states.

This would include a role for the U.N. secretary-general, the holding of free elections for an "independent" government and the withdrawal of foreign troops, the source noted. But analysts said any such move would be strongly opposed by the allies of Vietnam, which says it will withdraw from Cambodia after the end of a perceived threat to the region from China.

The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), which has led the fight to

restore Cambodian neutrality, is also expected to seek General Assembly endorsement of the July 13-17 conference's declaration and resolution.

The Cambodian issue is due to be debated by the General Assembly in early October. ASEAN is believed to be maneuvering for former Premier Son Sann to make an appearance on behalf of the ousted government.

A series of negotiations are under way in Bangkok to broaden the deposed Khmer Rouge government by giving ministerial posts to supporters of the two main non-Communist resistance leaders, Son Sann and former head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk.

The issue of who should represent the proposed coalition is expected to be discussed at the third session of the talks Tuesday. The creation of an alliance is no longer absolutely compelling, ASEAN diplomats point out, now that the General Assembly has upheld the seating of a Khmer Rouge delegation despite the third Soviet-backed challenge in as many years.

The assembly voted 77 to 37 Friday, with 31 abstentions, to maintain the Khmer Rouge, a net gain of nine in their favor from a year ago.

# Airline attendant crushed to death

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AP) — A World Airways flight attendant was crushed to death Sunday in a crew elevator aboard a DC-10 over the Atlantic Ocean, officials of the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration have announced.

The attendant, Karen Williams, 24, based in Washington, was "crushed between the elevator cab and the door frame" on World Airways flight 32 from Baltimore-Washington International Airport to Gatwick airport, south of London, said Wallace Emory, chief of the FAA field office in Frankfurt.

He told the Associated Press by telephone that Ms. Williams "died of a crushed chest." He added that details of the incident, which took place with the Jumbo jet about one hour from landing, were sketchy because the flight crew had not yet been interviewed by investigators. "They're still sort of in a state of shock," Emory said.

The elevator is one of two aboard the

DC-10 that operate between the main deck level and a galley, where food is prepared, in the jetliner's lower bay. One is for cargo and equipment, the other is for the flight crew.

World Airways spokesman Philip Keenlyside at Gatwick said a coroner was conducting a post-mortem examination.

Emory of the Frankfurt field office and FAA officials in Washington said Ms. Williams' body was discovered in the elevator and that doctors aboard the plane were called to assist, but they pronounced her dead at the scene. The officials said she appeared to have died instantly.

Spokesman Keenlyside said that some of the more than 300 passengers "on the flight were aware that something was going on, but they did not realize that one of the crew had been killed."

After the craft landed at Gatwick, Ms. Williams' body was removed, he said, and the other crew members flew the plane on to its next scheduled stop, Frankfurt.

# NATO begins new exercises

MONS, Belgium, Sept. 21 (AFP) — NATO's "Display Determination" land, sea and air military maneuvers began Monday in Italy, Greece, Turkey and the Mediterranean, Supreme Headquarters of Allied Powers in Europe (SHAPE) at Mons reported Monday.

The exercises are part of NATO's annual "Autumn Forge" maneuvers which are held across Europe from North Cape in Norway to eastern Turkey. They have been taking place regularly since 1975, and last until the beginning of November.

American, British, Greek, Italian, Portuguese and Turkish troops will take part in this year's "Display Determination" under the command of U.S. Navy Adm. William J. Crowe, chief commander of the allied forces for Southern Europe.

A SHAPE communique Monday said that the maneuvers, which will end on Oct. 14, aim to "test the defensive capabilities and the reinforcement of the southern flank of NATO as well as the coordination of allied forces in this sector."

A number of French warships will also participate in the war games although France left NATO's military flank in 1966. SHAPE reported. The maneuvers will include troop landings on the Sardinian and Turkish coasts, as well as air and land exercises in northeastern Italy, Greece and Turkey.

## Thai drills conclude

BANGKOK, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Thailand Monday ended a six-day air defense exercise that cost an American-built F-5A fighter and probably the life of its 25-year-old pilot.

Thai military spokesmen said a search was continuing for air force officer Anuwat Sripenphol, who piloted the plane that crashed Saturday during a mock raid on the northern outskirts of the city.

Frogmen salvaged most of the wrecked fighter from the Chao Phraya River, the spokesmen said. The cause of the accident was still under investigation, they added.

The exercise, baptized "Napapitak 24," included drills of army, navy and air force units in defense maneuvers to be taken in the event of attacks by enemy aircraft flying in from the east and northeast.

## Story on dissident

# China warns journalist

PEKING, Sept. 21 (AFP) — The Peking-based correspondent of *The Washington Post*, Michael Weisskopf, Monday received a warning from the Chinese authorities over an allegedly "sensational" story he wrote on the labor camp life of a Chinese dissident.

A government spokesman here said Weisskopf's copy "lacks the due responsible attitude of a correspondent and defies provisional regulations of the Chinese government concerning resident correspondents of foreign news agencies."

It is the first time the regulations — introduced last spring — have been used to single out a journalist. The regulations require foreign correspondents in China "not to go beyond the limits of normal news coverage."

Weisskopf's story was based on a manuscript written by dissident Liu Qing. The spokesman branded the "so-called manuscript" as "sheer fabrication."

Liu Qing was sent to a labor camp in central China for releasing details of the trial of a better-known dissident, Wei Jingsheng, who was jailed for 15 years in October 1979. Wei's trial was however proclaimed public.

Liu Qing recently managed to smuggle a 200-page document out of his labor camp detailing the physical and moral suffering he had been subjected to since his detention in November 1979.

Several other correspondents in Peking who used the story have not received similar warnings. The spokesman of the Foreign Ministry Information Department, which deals with foreign correspondents, said that Weisskopf's story had been "full of vicious attacks" against China, which were of "unknown origin."

"If things of a similar nature happen again in the future, he will be held responsible for all the consequences arising therefrom," the spokesman said.

The warning comes a few weeks after the new Information Department head, Deputy Foreign Minister Zhong Xidong, called on foreign correspondents not to publish information on the activities or works of activists. Zhong also hinted that the publication of

news of the activists could, in some cases, be held as illegal.

The introduction of the spring regulations was followed up with the de facto deportation in June of a Dutch journalist Willem van Kamenade, of the newspaper *NRC Handelsblad*. He was officially accused of having exercised "activities incompatible with the status of a correspondent." He was the first foreign correspondent ordered out from China in four years, and at the time official circles said the move had not been linked to the regulations on foreign correspondents that had just been introduced.

# New Caledonia condemns leader's murder

NOUMEA, New Caledonia, Sept. 21 (AFP) — About 50 pro-independence demonstrators, some of them armed with rifles, Monday maintained roadblocks on the east coast of this south Pacific French territory, after their leader Peire Declercq was shot dead Saturday night.

A barrier put up near here after Declercq's death was set up for three hours Sunday. The local government executive council, after a special meeting, issued an appeal for reason, saying that order and public security were "not fully assured in several parts of the territory."

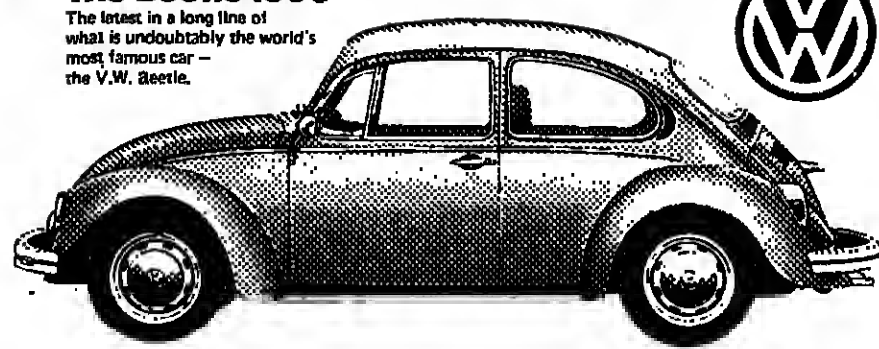
"The government council, conscious of the emotion aroused by the tragic disappearance of an elected member... condemns this criminal act and calls for justice to be enforced severely," a council statement said. It said that all measures should immediately be taken to normalize the situation.

The council appealed for cool headedness so that "provocative acts" could be avoided. Declercq, elected to the territorial parliament in 1977, was working at his home when he was hit by several bullets fired from outside his study window.

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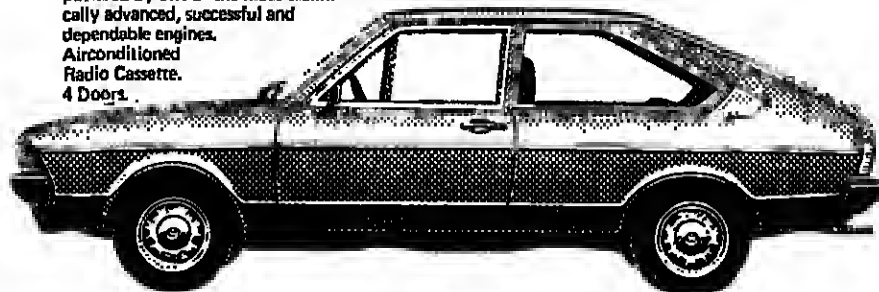
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## France ups interest to 18.5%

## Steps to fortify franc enforced

PARIS, Sept. 21 (AP) — The Bank of France on Monday boosted its key money market rate from 17½ percent to 18½ percent as part of a two-pronged effort to support the franc and stamp out speculation caused by rumors of an imminent devaluation.

By increasing interest rates for banks, the government hopes to attract capital to France

## Anti-graft step planned by Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Pakistan's military government, attempting to weed out corruption, has decided to print anti-bribery slogans on currency notes, it was officially announced.

The decision, taken at a cabinet meeting led by President Zia ul-Haq in Quetta Sunday, calls for currency notes of all denominations to bear the Quranic inscription, in Urdu "Honest living is a form of worship". The new notes will be circulated within a month while old notes will remain in circulation, officials said.

Observers saw the step as part of the military regime's campaign to promote Islamic values. President Zia earlier introduced strict Islamic punishments for various offenses, including burglary, adultery, drinking spirits and gambling.

which has recently been diverted to other currencies, particularly the German mark. Economy Minister Jacques Delors, in announcing the new measures over the weekend, said the bank's prime rate would remain at 14.5 percent.

The government also banned forward buying of foreign currencies by importers in order to curtail speculation against the franc. Previously, importers were able to buy foreign currencies in advance to meet bills expected at a future date. This allowed them to purchase the foreign currencies before they actually needed it to take advantage of favorable rates and to avoid being caught in the rumored devaluation.

Under the new rules, importers will not be able to buy the foreign currency until bills come due. By keeping the prime rate at 14.5 percent while hiking the money market rate, banks will be obliged to dip into their reserves in order to make up the difference between the cost of lending and the cost of refinancing themselves.

The initial reaction by foreign exchange dealers Monday was sceptical, with any dealers saying it was a palliative.

"The government's economists are still going to find the underlying problems which caused the French franc to weaken last week on their desks this morning," said one.

The problems of the franc are the result of series of factors. The dollar, which reached record highs of more than six francs in July, has been in a steady decline, falling below 5.50 last week against the franc, caused mainly due recent skepticism over U.S. Pres-

ident Ronald Reagan's economic policies.

Dealers getting rid of their dollars have been buying up German marks at a fast rate because of positive signs of a resurgence in the German economy. The resulting strengthening of the mark, which is linked to the franc through the European Monetary System, has caused severe fluctuations between the two currencies.

EMS requires the French and German central banks to maintain a parity between the mark and the franc. To keep this parity, the Bank of France was forced to intervene heavily.

## Dutch atlas may fetch \$420,000

CLERMONT FERRAND, France Sept. 21 (AFP) — A 17th century atlas by the Dutch cartographers Guille and Johan Blaeu could fetch 2.3 million francs (\$420,000) when it is auctioned here Saturday, experts say.

The atlas has 347 maps, all colored by hand, and few copies were produced. Part of the contents of Castelnau Castle, north of here, the atlas is said to contain "charts and descriptions of all the countries of the earth", and was "illuminated" by the Blaeus between 1644 and 1655.

It includes five volumes in folio form, with brown Morocco leather of the period, smudged back and ornate plates. It has tables and descriptions from Koemann's Dutch atlas.



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## Focus on interest rates

## Nassau talks open today

NASSAU, Sept. 21 (R) — Commonwealth finance ministers open two days of annual talks here Tuesday with the focus on the worsening plight of the world's poorest nations.

Stopping on their way to the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and World Bank starting in Washington on Sept. 29, the 44 ministers from the former British empire face a cheerless economic scene with large and small nations struggling to restore growth and confidence.

The ministers are especially worried about the problems caused by high interest rates and the growing debts of the non-oil-producing countries.

Conference sources, citing the deep racial, political and economic differences among the delegates, said the talks would provide a glimpse of the problems to be dealt with at the Washington meeting and next month's conference in Cancun, Mexico, where leaders from 21 industrial and Third World nations will resume the so-called North-South dialogue.

The traditional Commonwealth autumn meeting also gives Third World delegates a chance to lobby the elder members — Britain, Canada and Australia — to exert their influence on key financial aid issues to be raised in Washington next week.

Conference sources said that high on the list of concerns for the poorer countries is that pressure can be put on the major industrial powers, especially the United States and to a lesser extent Britain, to ease their punitive interest rates.

The IMF estimates that each one percent rise in interest rates costs the 33 poorest borrowers in the developing world almost \$2 billion in new debts. It now costs the non-oil developing countries a staggering \$34 billion a year in interest payments alone.

Relief from this debt burden through more aid from the major lending institutions such as the World Bank and IMF, with fewer strings attached, is also a pressing issue for the conference. But the British chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Geoffrey Howe, who plays a leading role at the meeting, is less than sympathetic to demands that the IMF pool of credit should be expanded and that borrow-

ing countries have a greater say in how the money is distributed.

The British chancellor generally follows the path of the Reagan administration which places top priority on fighting inflation with high interest rates and government spending cuts that puts more responsibility for additional aid on the private sector.

This conservative doctrine leaves little room for greater funding of the major world lending institutions to which the Third World looks for its economic survival, and has fueled the resentment of many of the poorer Commonwealth countries.

Conference sources said that the ministers are expected to issue a communique before leaving for Washington urging greater political efforts to resolve the rich-poor conflict and expanded efforts by the World Bank and IMF to help the Third World.

Of the 45 Commonwealth members (Belize became a member Monday after achieving its independence from Britain) only New Zealand will not be represented. The New Zealand Prime Minister Robert Muldoon, who also serves as finance minister, is boycotting the conference which had originally been scheduled to be held in Auckland. He called the African-backed decision to hold the meeting in Nassau in protest against the recent South African rugby team tour of his country an insult to New Zealand.

## 'U.S. heading toward chaos'

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AFP) — President Ronald Reagan's economic policy and spending cuts are about to precipitate the United States into "social chaos," according to the annual report of the National Advisory Council on Economic Opportunity, published here.

It said that having "conjured up the spectacle of an economic Dunkirk" to have its economic measures accepted by the nation, the Reagan administration was now "perpetuating a social Pearl Harbor" — since, it said, the ranks of the country's 29.3 million poor will swell appreciably.

In a covering letter sent to the president with the report, the council's president,

## Arab fund lends \$378m in 4 years

BAHRAIN, Sept. 21 (R) — The Abu Dhabi-based Arab Monetary Fund has pledged loans totaling 108 million Arab dinars (\$378 million) to member states since it was set up four years ago, according to AMF President Jawad Hashim.

Dr. Hashim, an Iraqi, told the official Emirates News Agency the total actually drawn was about 99 million Arab dinars (\$350 million), or more than 70 percent of the fund's paid capital.

As the commitments exceeded 50 percent of capital, the AMF has asked the 21-member states to pay the full authorized capital as required by a board of governors' resolution passed last April, he added. AMF capital would consequently reach 263 million Arab dinars (\$920 million), he said. The aim of the fund is to correct balance of payments problems in Arab countries.

## OPEC grants \$311m in loans

VIENNA, Sept. 21 (AFP) — The International Development Fund of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) has granted 47 loans totaling \$311.5 million since June, sources said at OPEC fund headquarters here.

This brings the overall total to \$1.2 billion. Loans were approved for Burundi (\$7 million), Costa Rica (\$13.4 million) and Morocco (\$15 million) at a weekend meeting, the sources said.

## Food shortage in Iran ruled out

TEHRAN, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Iran this year harvested one million tons of rice, Commerce Minister Habibollah Aegar-Oladi announced over Iranian radio.

"Thanks to the grace of God," the minister declared Saturday "there is no food shortage in this country."

He then went to warn that "stocking and sales at high prices are a shame in our economy" and called on shopkeepers to lower their prices. The minister invited newsmen to photograph and film the accumulated stocks and food distribution.

In reply to a question about the nationalization for foreign trade, the minister said that the measure, which had been "foreseen by the constitution, constitutes one of the most advanced principles of the economy." He had "no difficulty in applying it," he added.

Arthur Blaustein, said the reduction in social spending "represents a severe setback to the poor as a whole, and in particular to the elderly, to women, to minorities and to the young."

The report pointed out that the nation's poor (persons with an annual income of less than \$3,414) numbered 36 millions in 1964, and that for more than a decade now was stabilized at 29.3 million — roughly 13 percent of the population.

Set up in 1964 by President Lyndon Johnson, the National Advisory Council on Economic Opportunity will cease to exist on Oct. 1, formal expiry date of its mandate. The council's 15 members were appointed by the administration of former President Jimmy Carter.

Meanwhile, President Reagan is expected to move for cuts on the spending front in an effort to keep the budget deficit down. It is officially forecast to be \$42.5 billion in fiscal 1982 (beginning Oct. 1), but many, perhaps most, observers expect it to be more than that, partly due to high interest rates.

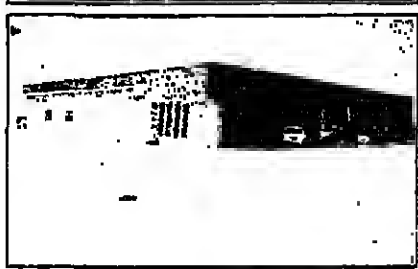
The president got \$35 billion in budget cuts through Congress last spring, has trimmed \$13 billion from military spending, and now looks set to propose plans to cut out about \$16 billion from 1982 spending, including a controversial plan for a three-month postponement of cost-of-living rises for people on social security (pensions). However, the president will probably encounter stronger resistance from the Democrats in Congress to such reductions, especially those affecting social security.

But the president will push hard for the added cuts because of his need to reassure financial markets of his ability to hold down (and finally eliminate) federal budget deficits so as to reduce the treasury's huge borrowing requirements — which help keep interest rates high.

There is a substantial current of thought, especially in financial circles, that the administration's huge tax cuts have rather tied its hands in the fiscal sphere.

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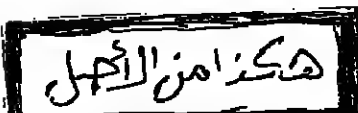
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## Kingdom's stand gains support

## Plunging demand plagues OPEC

LONDON, Sept. 21 (R) — Plunging demand for OPEC oil is hitting the exporters' group harder than even its most inveterate Western foes dared imagine a few months ago.

Estimates of how much oil the 13 members of OPEC (the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) are actually producing vary considerably, although there is no doubt output is well below last year's 27 million barrels per day (BPD).

In a buyers' market, oil companies say, sellers are necessarily cautious about giving away their true position. Oil industry sources said, however, that the best estimate is that the OPEC total this month is running at between 20.1 and 20.3 million barrels daily.

According to the Paris-based Arab Center for Petroleum Studies it went even lower at mid-month, to 19.15 million bpd. Oil Minister Subroto of Indonesia, OPEC's current president, last week blamed the slump in demand for OPEC oil in part on factors that will have a permanent effect — the use of more coal and other alternatives to oil by the West and the introduction of fuel-efficient homes, cars and machines.

But Dr. Subroto, speaking at an oil seminar in Oxford, England, failed to rule out the possibility on a quick turnaround in the oil market, although he acknowledged that world demand probably will not rise as fast in the 1980s as was predicted before the present glut. Temporary factors were also depressing demand, he said.

Aside from world recession and consumers' short-term reaction to high prices, he listed two other factors — high interest rates and the oil market's peculiar psychology.

High U.S. interest rates, which have been buoying the U.S. dollar on world currency markets, have added at least 10 percent to the cost of crude imports in many countries outside the United States, forcing up pump prices and keeping down petrol consumption, OPEC crude oil is priced in dollars.

High interest rates also make it more costly to store oil. Companies usually build up their stocks ahead of the winter when cold snaps can cause sudden peaks in consumption. But instead of building stocks companies are at present running them down from previous record levels.

Oil industry sources report that possibly 1.25 million barrels daily are now flowing out of stocks, when companies would normally be building them up by at least two million bpd. The companies feel free to run stocks down in the expectation that a tight market will not develop and that the price will not rise. It makes sense to hold oil when prices are rising to reap lucrative stock profits.

On this aspect of market psychology, Dr.

Subroto said: "Things could turn around quickly. Expectations can just as likely speed up a reversal in the oil market when prices and production stabilize within OPEC."

Western industry sources question this. "You have to be careful about whistling in the wind," an official with one major company said. But officials at the Paris-based International Energy Agency (IEA), grouping 21 Western oil consuming nations, say they think the fall in demand for OPEC oil should bottom out this winter. That does not mean prices will climb. But the risk of OPEC falling apart in a desperate scramble among the 13 members to undercut one another will recede as demand creeps up.

Even now, all the exporters other than warring Iraq and Iran could probably sell as much oil as they needed to, were it not for the pricing and production policies of Saudi Arabia, the highest exporter.

Western bankers calculate that the Saudi Arabians could meet revenue needs producing only about two-thirds of their present nine million barrels per day.

But the Kingdom, determined to enforce its moderate ideas on pricing on OPEC 'hawks,' says no major reduction in its output can be expected until OPEC realigns prices at a level closer to its own rate of \$32 a barrel, OPEC's lowest.

Middle-of-the-roads are trying to

## Latin America records 5.4% growth

PARIS, Sept. 20 (AP) — The rhythm of economic activity in Latin America and the Caribbean did not show any slowdown in 1980, despite a deteriorating international environment, the World Bank noted in its annual report.

The growth rate of the gross national product (GNP) of the region in 1980 was 5.4 percent, a level close to that of the previous year, when it stood at 5.5 percent, the report said. It added, however, that a slowing down had been registered for the first half of 1981.

In the year under review, the report said, the World Bank and the International Development Association had lent a total \$3.1 billion to the area, \$469 million more than the previous year.

The report underlined the important differences existing between individual countries, notably with regard to energy. If indeed the area as a whole was a net exporter of oil, it found, only a small number of countries — Ecuador, Mexico, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela — account for these exports.

arrange a compromise under which the Saudi Arabians would go up to \$34 in return for reductions by hardliners, Algeria, Iran, Iraq, Libya and Venezuela, but OPEC sources say progress is so far slow. The middle-of-the-roads, such as Indonesia, Kuwait and Nigeria see no option but to make concessions to the Saudi Arabians in the interest of securing a fair carve up of the dwindled market. Nigeria has been hit hard by a buyer revolt.

OPEC sources say there is also growing support for Saudi Arabian Oil Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani's underlying view that, once realigned, OPEC prices should be frozen until the end of 1982 and then raised only gradually — a strategy designed to tempt the consumer back to oil. Ministers, who share this view, consider that such a strategy, together with a recovery in major Western economies, ought to ensure a steady, if slow, recovery of demand for OPEC oil, from the present 20 million barrels daily to around 25 million by the mid-1980s.

Industry executives tend to agree, but raise the question of what might happen to OPEC if Iraq and Iran stop fighting and try to boost war-restricted exports before demand has recovered sufficiently. Between them they could produce at least three million bpd more than at present, about as much as Saudi Arabia could remove from the pool without running into revenue problems.

For others, and notably Brazil, Chile and most of the small countries of central America and the Caribbean, the cost of buying oil absorbed the equivalent on between a quarter and half the value of their exports, the report added.

## Joint commission meets

## U.S., Mexico to iron out differences

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (R) — U.S. and Mexican officials will discuss trade issues dividing the two countries at the first meeting Monday and Tuesday of a newly-formed joint commission on commerce and trade.

U.S. Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige and Trade Representative Bill Brock are to attend the talks in Mexico City. The Mexican side will be led by Commerce Secretary Jorge de la Vega Domonguez.

U.S. officials said no agreements were expected from these initial discussions. They

## Romania seeks to delay debt repayments

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Romania has asked its Western creditors if it can spread out repayments on its short-term debts, due to "temporary payment problems", Stelian Marin, an official of the Romanian finance ministry, told the *Financial Times* Monday.

Romania wanted to "roll over" its short-term obligations to Western banks, and was not asking for restructuring, Marin said. The short-term payments concerned amounted to 25 to 30 percent of Romania's external debt, and totaled some \$6 billion at the start of 1981.

The *Financial Times* noted that this figure was well under the \$10 billion to \$14 billion mentioned in the West.

Marin told the paper his country was having trouble getting new credit from Western banks, partly due to high interest rates, but also because banks were negatively influenced by reports on Romania's money problems. He said banks who felt unable to help Romania get over its current difficulties may lose it as a customer in future.

The Latin American countries still need to borrow heavily, it said, noting that the 15 countries in the group with the steepest oil bills were spending an average of two-thirds of their revenue from exports just to service their debts and import their oil.

## Financial Roundup

## Riyal, dollar continue to fall

By J.H. Hammond

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 — The dollar continued to weaken sharply on Friday in New York, with the sharpest fall being registered against the German mark and French franc.

Gains were also made by Deutsch, franc and British pound. The major impact continues to be Euro-dollar interest rate falls and uncertainties over long-term course of U.S. dollar interest rates.

With all major U.S. banks now cutting back their prime interest rates to 20 percent, pressure is building up for more prime rate cuts over the next week. Fed funds rates traded quietly between 15 and 16 percent to 15 percent all day Friday in New York.

This depressed Euro-dollar interest rates taking one-year level to 17 and 6.16 to 17 and 7/16 percent and one-month level to 16 and 1/2 to 16 and 3/4 percent.

In the Kingdom markets rial deposit rates continue to fall sharply, especially in the short tenors. Long term deposit rates remain firmer with most institutions willing to bid higher for available rial liquidity to bridge over the coming Eid and Hajj holidays.

The American currency fell sharply on both European and New York exchange markets. The German mark recovered from 2.33 level Wednesday to 2.2620 level Friday. The New York market pushed the German mark even higher to 2.2560 level before closing.

The Swiss franc went sharply below the 2 franc-dollar level to be traded at L.94 in New York.

The Swiss currency continues to be a

source of attraction due to recent hikes in Swiss franc interest rates.

The same would seem to apply for the British currency, with trading reportedly at L.8450 level in New York Friday.

This is nearly some cents higher than the level seen on Wednesday and Thursday. The other significant drive against the dollar was recorded by the French franc which traded at 5.42 level Friday, compared with 5.58 levels Wednesday and Thursday. There was little central bank support by either French or German authorities.

The yen seemed to float indifferently and was relatively the weaker of the major currencies against the dollar. It traded at 2.26 level compared to 2.2720 level Wednesday.

In the Kingdom, the rial rate came sharply down in short tenors. Dealers reported over night rates of around 4 percent. They opened with very few bids in the market. The one-month rate opened at L.2-L.2 percent in the morning, but soon reached L.1-L.2 percent by closing Saturday.

The one-year period, however, remained relatively firm at L.4-L.5 percent. Once again, it is noticeable that there is an increasing gap between short and long-term rial deposit rates in favor of the longer period. Banks with excess liquidity to spare are now only willing to lend in the longer period, feeling that rates will come down even more sharply.

The coming Hajj holiday, however, could well keep rial rates firmer and as was during the last Ramadan and Eid holidays.

In exchange markets, the local rial-dollar rates fluctuate widely around 3.47-40. The rates had opened at 3.480-3.490 in the morning with dealers reporting relative transactions.

## Fall in trade hits 3rd World

ROME, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Third World economies are being jeopardized by an abrupt slowdown in trade growth for agricultural, fishing and forest products — the main stay of countries poor in oil and minerals, experts with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) said.

The value of this trade grew only 11 percent between 1979 and 1980, compared to annual growth of 17 percent during the ten previous years. In real terms, trade has hardly varied at all between 1979 and 1980. Experts disclosed this outside the 53rd conference of the FAO products committee here.

Farm exports of developing countries dropped at a rate of 3 percent when adjust-

ments were made for inflation, while their agricultural imports rose by 23 percent, especially in Latin America and the Middle East.

Developing countries are now threatened with deficits in trade in agricultural products. Their trade surplus in this area has fallen from \$15 billion in 1978 to hardly \$6 billion last year. This situation has benefited industrialized countries, whose farm exports rose 13 percent in 1980, reaching \$208 billion. Some market prices, including those of sugar and tropical products for drinks, have fallen 20 to 50 percent. In real terms, jute, extremely important to Pakistan, is at its lowest levels in 20 years.

## 4 U.S. banks cut prime to 19.5%

NEW YORK, Sept. 21 (AP) — Four major U.S. commercial banks lowered their prime lending rates from 20 to 19.5 percent Monday as the cost of banks' funds and loan demand continued to slip.

The move — led by Chase Manhattan Bank, the largest U.S. bank — was followed by No. 2 Continental Illinois National Bank and Trust, No. 8 Bankers Trust and No. 9 First National Bank of Chicago. Just last week, banks nationwide lowered their base lending rates to 20 percent from 20.5 percent, where the prime rate had stood since early July.

One smaller bank, Southwest of St. Louis, lowered its prime rate Monday a full percentage point to 19 percent.

Foreign Exchange Rates			
Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Saturday			
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Bangladesh Taka	—	—	—
Belgian Franc (1,000)	90.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	284.00	—	286.00
Deutsche Mark (100)	151.25	151.15	151.15
Dutch Guilder (100)	136.50	136.40	136.40
Egyptian Pound	—	3.84	4.11
Emirate Dirham (100)	—	93.00	93.20
French Franc (100)	61.00	63.40	63.20
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	57.00	60.50
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	37.40
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Israeli Dinar	—	—	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	29.00	29.80	29.80
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.00	—	15.15
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.18	10.165
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.13	12.12
Lebanese Lira (1,000)	—	76.50	76.30
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	61.50	62.45
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	34.45
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	43.40
Pound Sterling	6.3	6.29	6.27
Saudi Rial (100)	—	93.50	94.05
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	—	160.50
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	37.25	37.15
Swiss Franc (100)	172.00	176.20	176.25
Syrian Lira (100)	—	28.00	63.35
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	—	—
U.S. Dollar	3.42	3.43	3.425
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19.	Union Spirit	Alsaabah	Bulk Cement	9.9.81
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22.	Vivacity	Bamaodah	Bagged Barley	5.9.81
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24.	Valder Gent	A.A.	Bagged Barley	15.9.81
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TORRENS	Far East	Cont/Gen.	22-9-81
TARIFA	Europe	Cont/Gen.	28-9-81
WIL TOYO	Far East	Cont.	29-9-81
NEW ZEALAND STAR	N. Zealand Australia	Cont.	29-9-81
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# Wilson slams homer to enable Mets get past Cardinals

NEW YORK, Sept. 21 (AP) — Rookie Wilson, whose error allowed St. Louis to go ahead in the top of the ninth, hit a two-out, two-run homer in the bottom of the inning to give the New York Mets a 7-6 victory over the Cardinals Sunday and a three-game series sweep.

With two outs in the top of the ninth, Tito Landrum tripled to center and came home when Wilson bobbled the ball, giving St. Louis a 6-5 edge.

In the bottom of the inning, Frank Taveras doubled with two outs off Bruce Sutter, 3-4, and Wilson followed with his third homer of the year on a 3-1 pitch. The game-winner was the 22nd hit of the game for the Mets, who trailed 5-0 after five innings.

The series sweep left the Mets 2 1/2 games behind the first-place Cardinals in the National League East. Montreal is 1 1/2 behind.

Elsewhere in the National League, Bill Gullickson struck out 13 batters and scattered three hits and the Expos scored three runs in the first inning on singles by Larry Parrish, Tim Wallach and Chris Speier to blank the Chicago Cubs 4-0.

Dan Driessen singled three times and knocked in three runs to back the seven-hit pitching of Mario Soto as the Cincinnati Reds completed a three-game sweep over the Los Angeles Dodgers with a 5-1 victory.

Nolan Ryan survived a shaky first inning and went on to pitch a seven-hitter as Houston beat the San Francisco Giants 7-3. The Astros maintained their 2 1/2-game lead in the NL West.

Claudell Washington singled home the

game-winning run with no outs in the 11th inning to give the Atlanta Braves a 3-1 victory over the San Diego Padres.

A single by Pete Rose drove in the go-ahead run and Mike Schmidt's 27th homer of the season added an insurance tally as the Philadelphia Phillies scored four runs in the seventh inning to defeat the Pittsburgh Pirates 5-4.

In the American League, Lou Whitaker stroked a one-out double to snap a 1-1 tie in the top of the ninth inning, and Jack Morris won his 13th game to spark the Detroit Tigers to a 5-1 victory over the Cleveland Indians. The victory, only the Tigers' second in the last seven games, moved them back into first place in the AL East by one-half game over Boston and Milwaukee.

Lenn Sakata rapped four hits, including two home runs, and drove in five runs while leading the Baltimore Orioles to an 8-2 victory over the Brewers. Jim Palmer, 6-8, hurled a five-hitter for the Orioles.

Tony Perez drove in three runs with a pair of homers as the Red Sox defeated the New York Yankees 4-1 behind the itching of Bruce Hurst and veteran reliever Bill Campbell.

The Toronto Blue Jays rallied from a 3-0 deficit on solo home runs by John Mayberry, Otto Velez and Ted Cox, who also stroked a two-run single, to defeat the California Angels 6-3. The Angels have lost six in a row and 14 of their last 15 games.

Tim Lincecum doubled home the winning run in the seventh inning as the Seattle Mariners defeated Kansas City 3-2.

## Baseball standings

National League					American League				
East	W	L	Pct.	GB	East	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	21	17	.553	—	Detroit	24	16	.600	—
Montreal	20	19	.513	1½	Boston	23	16	.590	½
New York	19	20	.487	2½	Milwaukee	24	17	.585	½
Chicago	17	20	.459	3½	Baltimore	21	17	.553	2
Philadelphia	17	21	.447	4	New York	21	18	.538	2½
Pittsburgh	16	23	.410	5½	Toronto	19	18	.514	3½
West					Cleveland	18	22	.450	6
Houston	26	14	.650	—	Kansas City	22	17	.564	—
Cincinnati	23	16	.590	2½	Oakland	19	18	.514	2
Los Angeles	22	18	.550	4	Minnesota	19	21	.475	3½
San Francisco	21	18	.538	4½	Texas	17	20	.459	4
Atlanta	20	19	.513	5½	Chicago	16	23	.410	6
San Diego	12	29	.293	14½	Seattle	16	23	.410	6
					California	12	25	.324	9

Results: Montreal 4, Chicago 0; Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 4; New York 7, St. Louis 6; Cincinnati 5, Los Angeles 1; Atlanta 3, San Diego 1, 11 innings; Houston 7, San Francisco 3.

Results: Toronto 6, California 3; Boston 4, New York 1; Baltimore 8, Milwaukee 2; Detroit 5, Cleveland 1; Chicago 11, Oakland 3; Seattle 3, Kansas City 2; Texas 4, Minnesota 3.



ALL SMILES: The victorious American team make a happy picture as they pose with the Ryder Golf Cup they won for the 20th time beating Europe 18.5 to 9.5 at Walton Heath, Surrey, Sunday.

## Flawless final round gives Weiskopf victory

ABILENE, Texas, Sept. 21 (AP) — Moody Tom Weiskopf, controlling his famed temper as he did the west Texas winds, shot a flawless final round 4-under-par 68 Sunday to earn the inaugural Lajet Classic Golf Championship and boost his career earnings to more than \$2 million.

It was the 14th tournament players association victory for Weiskopf and his first since he won the 1978 Doral-Eastern Open.

The \$63,000 first place prize boosted Weiskopf's 1981 earnings to \$173,110 and his career payoffs to \$2,002,525. Only three other players have surpassed \$2 million in earnings on the tour, Jack Nicklaus, Lee Trevino and Tom Watson.

Weiskopf, who was so irritated Saturday when he refused to discuss his round with reporters, took a one-shot lead into the final day as winds gusting to 20 miles (32 km) an hour raked the Fairways Golf Club, which has a tough par 72.

His 72-hole total of 278 over the two-year course, which was praised by most of the players in the field as being in tremendous condition. Gil Morgan, Tommy Valentine, and Fuzzy Zoeller provided the main challenges to Weiskopf, but never conquered the wild winds that made shot judgment difficult.

Weiskopf worked his way around the slick bent grass and 4-inch deep Bermuda rough

without a bogey over the 7,077-yard course. Valentine, Morgan, Zoeller, Craig Stadler and Hubie Green began the day a shot behind Weiskopf, who won the Benson-Hedges International a month ago in England.

Weiskopf went out in 3-under par 33 and his birdie at the par 5, gave him the lead to stay. For good measure, he reached the 524-yard par 5 No. 14 in two and two-putted for birdie.

Morgan finished two-shots behind and

earned the \$37,000 second place money at 208.

Valentine, Zoeller, and Stadler all shot final rounds of 70 to finish three shots behind the winner.

Meanwhile, Miller Barber with 5-under-par 67 finished at 282 Sunday to win the \$150,000 World Seniors Invitational Golf Tournament.

Barber took a five-stroke lead after five holes and finished three strokes ahead of Gene Littler and six shots below par for 72 holes at the Quail Hollow Country Club. The victory earned Barber \$23,000 while Littler settled for \$14,000.

Barber began the final round with a two-shot edge over Littler, the 1980 winner of this two-year old event for players 50 and over.

Barber pushed his lead to four strokes while making birdie on the first hole as Littler took a bogey. Littler could get no closer thereafter until making a birdie on the final hole to finish the round at 68 for a 285 total. Dilly Caspar shot a second straight 71 to finish in third at 292.

Arnold Palmer, runner-up in this tourney last year, shot a 71 for his first sub-par round and fourth place at 293.

Julius Boros was fifth at 294 while 69-year-old Sam Snead tied for sixth with Gardner Dickinson and Charlie Sifford.



Tom Weiskopf

## Soviet lifter outstanding

LILLE, France, Sept. 21 (R) — Anatoly Pisarenko took the super-heavyweight gold medal at the World and European Weightlifting Championships Sunday, so maintaining the Soviet grip on the sport.

In the team standings the Soviet Union totaled 307 points. Second was Bulgaria with 267 followed by Poland.

Pisarenko 23, totaled 425 kg. 22.5 kg below his world record but still won by 7.5 kg from East German Sanno Sakwedel. Third was a pole, Tadeusz Rutkowski, with 410 kg.

A 23-year-old army officer, who began training when 15, he snatched 187.5 kg and jerked 237.5 kg though he missed his opening snatch of 180 kg. "It was too light. I could not feel the weight," he said later. "But I had to be cautious because it was my first championship."

Pisarenko, who lifts 150 tons a week in training, tried to set a world jerk best of 258 kg. Though he pulled in the bar, he failed to rise with it. "That is for the near future," he said.

Final standings: Soviet Union 307 points, 2. Bulgaria 267, 3. Poland 177, 4. East Germany 175, 5. Hungary 142, 6. Czechoslovakia 118, 7. Cuba 99, 8. China 96, 9. West Germany 49, 10. Romania 46, 11. United States and France 41, 13. Japan 33, 14. North Korea 30, 15. Greece 26, 16. Sweden 11, 17. Egypt and Austria 10, 19. Britain 9 and 20. Finland 6.

## Sandra Haynie tops in Henredon Classic

HIGH POINT, North Carolina Sept. 21 (AP) — Sandra Haynie, a 20-year LPGA veteran and member of the Hall of Fame, charged to a round of 4-under-par 68 Sunday to overtake Marlene Floyd and capture the \$165,000 Henredon Classic Golf.

Haynie, who has played in just 17 tournaments since 1977 because of injuries and business interest, sank a four-foot birdie putt on the par 3, 17th hole to finish with a 7-under-par 281. The tournament was played on the 6,249-yard, par 72 Willow Creek golf course.

The victory was worth \$24,750 and boosted Haynie's winnings for 1981 to more than \$92,000, the most money she has earned in a single season.

Floyd saw her chances for victory fade on the par 3, 16th hole. She hushed her tee shot to the left of the green behind a bunker. From there, she chipped to within 20 feet of the hole, but missed her chance to save par by a few feet.

Haynie, 38, salvaged par on No. 16 and recovered from a disastrous second shot on No. 17 to put her third shot within five feet of the cup.

The victory was Haynie's 40th professional win and first since 1975.

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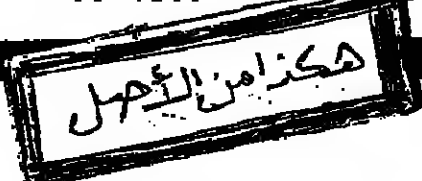
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COVER:

Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani, the Kingdom's oil minister, spoke at length with Editor-in-Chief Muhammad Al-Shibani on a unified price setup for OPEC, the oil glut, and Saudi Arabia's aim to place its interests first in the oil marketplace. Excerpts from the interview, page 20.

WINDMILLS STAGE COMEBACK

Windmills long were used to generate energy but were put in the shade with the increasing use of oil in the last two decades. Jeanette Garrett reports on how the newer version of the windmill is staging a comeback on the energy scene.

KUWAIT'S OIL POLICY

Kuwait's oil policy has involved the full exploitation of oil reserves and their conservation, and consequently the limiting of production. Kuwaiti objectives have been set forth in a government program recently submitted to the National Assembly by Kuwait's Council of Ministers.

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# Strock stars in Miami triumph

NEW YORK, Sept. 21 (AP) — Quarterback Don Strock, a third-quarter substitute, threw a 3-yard touchdown pass with 6:40 left to play, boosting the Miami Dolphins to a 16-10 victory over Houston in the National Football League Sunday.

Strock, replacing starter David Woodley, completed seven of 10 passes for 62 yards and engineered the drive that kept the Dolphins, 3-0, undefeated. It was the first time this year any team had scored a second-half touchdown against Houston, 2-1.

Miami's first nine points came on field goals by Uwe Von Schamann of 32, 37 and 27 yards. Houston scored on a 71-yard touchdown bomb by Ken Stabler to Ken Burroughs in the first quarter and a 40-yard Toni Fritsch field goal in the third quarter. Miami sacked Stabler eight times for 62 yards in losses. Four of the sacks were by tackle Bubba Brown.

Coach Don Shula said he replaced Woodley with Strock to start the second half because he wanted more experience in the lineup.

In other NFL games Sunday, Cleveland defeated Cincinnati 20-17, Minnesota edged Detroit 26-24, Pittsburgh clobbered the New York Jets 38-10, Atlanta downed San Francisco 34-17, St. Louis beat Washington 40-30, San Diego defeated Kansas City 42-31, Chicago beat Tampa Bay 28-17, Denver, walloped Baltimore 28-10, Oakland defeated Seattle 20-10, Los Angeles downed Green Bay 35-23 and the New York Giants beat New Orleans 20-7. The Dallas Cowboys travel to New England for the NFL's Monday night game.

Mike Pruitt, seeing spot duty with a hamstring pull, ran 12 yards for Cleveland's winning touchdown in the fourth quarter, and the Browns held on to beat the Bengals, who

scored two touchdowns in the final period. Pruitt's scoring run gave the Browns, 1-2 a 20-10 lead. Cincinnati, now 2-1, closed the gap to three points with 1:57 to play on a 1-yard touchdown plunge by fullback Pete Johnson.

Rick Danneir's 20-yard field goal with four seconds to play lifted Minnesota, 1-2 over Detroit, 1-2. The game marked the return of Vikings quarterback Tommy Kramer, who injured his knee in an Aug. 27 preseason game. Kramer drove the Vikings 31 yards in the final two minutes to set up the winning kick. His drive included passes of 18 yards to Ted Brown and 18 and 13 yards to Sammy White.

Frank Pollard, replacing the fumble-prone Sidney Thornton, rushed for two touchdowns, and quarterback Terry Bradshaw sneaked over for another TD that helped get the 1-2 Steelers on the winning track. The loss was the third in the row for the Jets, who got into the end zone only once on a fourth-quarter, 17-yard scoring pass from backup QB Pat Ryan to Freeman McNeil.

Steve Bartkowski, wearing a flak jacket to protect some cracked ribs, threw three touchdown passes, and Tom Pridemore returned an interception for 101 yards as undefeated Atlanta clobbered the 1-2 49ers. The victory gave the Falcons a 3-0 record for the first time in the club's 16-year history. Pridemore's interception came after the 49ers had driven to the Falcons 6 with the second-half kickoff.

Jim Hart threw three touchdown passes, and rookie Stump Mitchell returned a punt 50 yards for TD to earn St. Louis its first victory of the season. Washington, 0-3, led 10-9 after one quarter, but the Cardinals erupted for 17 points to take a 26-17 halftime lead. Washington quarterback Joe Theismann

threw four touchdown passes, including a 79-yarder to Art Monk.

Don Fouts threw for three touchdowns, and Chuck Muncie ran for two more as San Diego, 3-0, outlasted Kansas City, 2-1. San Diego led by just four points, 35-31, when Chargers linebacker Linden King deflected a Bill Kenney pass into the arms of Leroy Jones on the Chiefs' 109 yards struggled a few yards, then lateraled to Garry Johnson, who scored the clinching touchdown.

Vince Evans scored one touchdown and passed for another, racing Chicago to its first win of the season. Rookie Jeff Fisher also returned a Tampa Bay punt 58 yards for a touchdown with 38 seconds left in the half, giving Chicago a 14-7 lead. Evans' scoring pass covered 18 yards to Dave Williams with 5:14 left in the game.

Craig Morton threw for 291 yards and four touchdowns, three to wide receiver Steve Watson, as Denver, 1-2, clobbered Baltimore, 1-2. Morton, who entered the game with 24,875 career passing yards, became the 15th quarterback in NFL history to top the 25,000 plateau. Denver, led 14-0 at halftime after a pair of Morton scoring passes.

Raiders fullback Derrick Jensen plunged 1 yard for a touchdown early in the fourth quarter, helping preserve Oakland's victory over Seattle, 1-2. The Raiders, 2-1, led 13-3 at the half on a 13-yard touchdown run by quarterback Jim Plunkett in the first period and a 29-yard Plunkett pass to Morris Bradshaw just before the half. Seattle pulled within three when Jim Zorn passed 36 yards to Sam McCullum for a score early in the second half.

Drew Hill snared a 30-yard touchdown pass from backup quarterback Jeff Rutledge late in the third period to erase a 16-14 deficit and send Los Angeles to its first victory in three games. Cullen Bryant and Wendell Tyler scored fourth-quarter touchdowns on short runs for the Rams, who dealt Green Bay its second loss in three games.

## Alister sets new mark

BELGRADE, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Alan Alister of Britain scored a perfect 600 from 60 shots to set a new world record for the small-bore rifle, prone position at the European Shooting Championships in Titograd Monday. Previously, seven men had scored 599 out of 600, but Alister is the first to go all the way.

Another world record was set by Igor Ozirev of the Soviet Union when he marked 599 points from 60 shots in the small-bore, rapid-fire pistol shooting.

## Gehan Mendis hits sparkling century

KARACHI, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Sri Lankan Gehan Mendis carved out an unbeaten century and Collis King of West Indies cracked a brisk 34 to provide entertaining cricket on behalf of an International XI on the first day of the five day Willis cricket match against Pakistan at the National Stadium here Monday.

At close of play, opener Mendis was undefeated on 166 and the International XI after winning the toss had raced to 320 for nine wickets. West Indian fast bowler Michael Holding is the other not out batsman with four runs.

Iqbal Qasim 4 for 71 and Wasim Hasan 2 for 29 were the notable bowlers for Pakistan while Sikander Bakht and Rashid Khan claimed one each.

## BRIEFS

AVORIAZ, (AFP) — Pascal Simon of France won the Tour de L'Avenir Cycle Race in style here Monday when he clocked the fastest time on the final stage — a 13.6 kms time-trial.

BELGRADE, (AFP) — Michael Lee of Britain, who had finished ninth in his previous two finals, won the World Long Track Speedway Championship at Gornja Radgona Sunday beating the fancied Christophe Betzl of West Germany by two points.

HASSLOCH, West Germany, (AFP) — A 19-year-old West German driver was seriously injured and six horses had to be destroyed following a pile-up in a trotting race here Sunday.

ANCONA, Italy, (R) — The Soviet



PRACTICAL PRACTISE WALL: The 350-meter long rear wall of the "Reichsparteitag Gelsenberg," the Nazi Party's parade ground during the annual party conventions of the "Third Reich." In Nuremberg, is believed to be the longest tennis practise wall of the world, though it was not built for it. Tennis enthusiasts can play as long as they want and nobody charges a penny.

# F.A. set to lift ban on paid directors

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AFP) — The English Football Association (FA) is set to lift its ban on paid directors for league clubs.

The controversial move was voted down at the F.A. annual general meeting in May, but the F.A. council Monday agreed to hold an extraordinary meeting on November 19, at which it will recommend that one paid executive director be allowed for every club — not just league club — in full membership of the F.A.

The rejection of the league clubs' plan by the F.A. last May produced an uproar and calls for independence for the 92 league clubs. But Monday F.A. secretary Ted Croker said it had all been a misunderstanding.

The Welsh F.A. has already made it possible for its league clubs to have one paid director, but as none has been appointed it could still be an English club which appoints

the first paid director.

"It would be possible for any club to appoint a paid director, subject to certain conditions, as soon as the meeting has voted in November," said Croker.

The council recommendation also embraces clubs outside the football league, although if any are expected to take up the opportunity.

Besides, the Football Association has asked its U.S. counterparts for evidence before making a decision about whether Dean Neal is a Millwall or Queens Park Rangers player, after his summer in the North American Soccer League.

Rangers claim they released the player for the summer on the understanding they would have him back. Instead he was allowed to sign for Millwall.

"Until we clear up the matter Neal cannot play for either club," said Ted Croker.

Sunday the football league management committee, who are looking into the whole question of players being transferred to American clubs for the summer, referred the Neal case to the F.A. for a decision.

Meanwhile, Hamburg striker Gerd Hrusch, injured Saturday dropped out of West Germany's squad for the World Cup qualifying match against Finland in next Wednesday.

Hrusch, who had earlier headed a goal, suffered concussion when a shot from team-mate Holger Hieronymus hit him near the end. Hamburg lost 2-1. He was confined to bed. It is the fourth time in a row that injury has forced Hrusch to miss a West German match.

Sweeper Uli Stielike of Real Madrid will be available on Wednesday. West Germany are virtually certain of qualifying for the World Cup Finals in Spain.

# Borg to lead Europeans against America

BARCELONA, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — The next chapter in the classic Borg-McEnroe saga could take place here at the start of December during the novel Europe-American Team Tennis clash.

The two teams were named Monday with John McEnroe, now the world No. 1 down to captain the Americans and Bjorn Borg, his predecessor, leading the Europeans.

Borg, who lost to McEnroe in both the Wimbledon and U.S. Opens this year, is currently taking a break in Spain where he runs an exclusive tennis club.

The match, from December 1-3, will take place on a quick synthetic surface, more suitable to McEnroe's game and will be played

over twenty matches. The winning team will share nearly \$500,000 with \$200,000 going to the losers.

The teams: Europe: Bjorn Borg (Sweden-captain), Ivan Lendl (Czechoslovakia), Adriano Panatta (Italy), and Yannick Noah (France), or Manuel Orantes (Spain).

America: John McEnroe (U.S.-captain), Guillermo Vilas (Argentina), Vitas

Gerulaitis (U.S.) and Gene Mayer (U.S.) or Jimmy Connors (U.S.).

In Rye, New York, Ken Rosewall defeated Cliff Drysdale 7-6, 6-3 Sunday to capture the singles title of the Carte Blanche Tennis Legends tournament at the Westchester Country Club.

Winning the doubles were Roy Emerson and Fred Solle, who defeated Brysdale and Owen Davidson 6-4, 3-6, 6-2.

## Eve out to break IOC barrier

BADEN-BADEN, Germany, Sept. 21 (AP) — Two women — Pirjo Haegmann of Finland and Flor Isava of Venezuela — are poised to break down the biggest all-male barrier in sport and become members of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

This autocratic body, which appoints its own members and has sole authority over the Olympic Games, has never had a woman in its ranks since it was founded by the late Baron Pierre de Coubertin nearly 90 years ago.

But now, two of its older members — Paavo Honkajurvi of Finland, 66, and Jose Jorassaca, 73, of Venezuela — are to retire and make way for younger replacements. Two qualified women are available.

The IOC has had other potential women

members in the last eight years, but under its strict membership rules no places could be found for them.

Haegmann, 30, would become the IOC's youngest member if elected. She is a former middle distance runner and finished fourth in the 400 meters in the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal.

Isava is in her early sixties and is president of the Venezuelan Sports Confederation. She attained international standards in equestrianism and golf but never competed in the Olympics.

Neither is listed among the delegates to the Olympic Congress which opens in Baden-Baden Tuesday. But the IOC is expected to consider them for membership at its session next week.

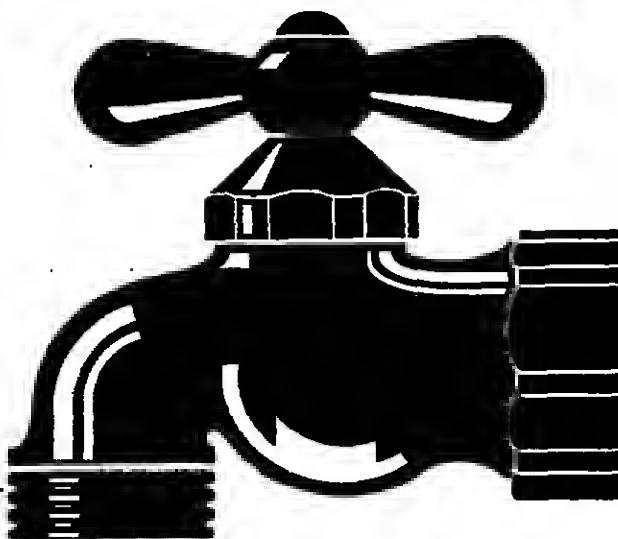
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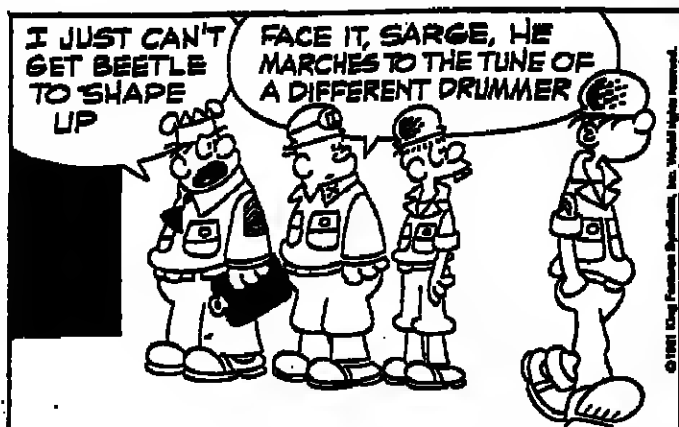
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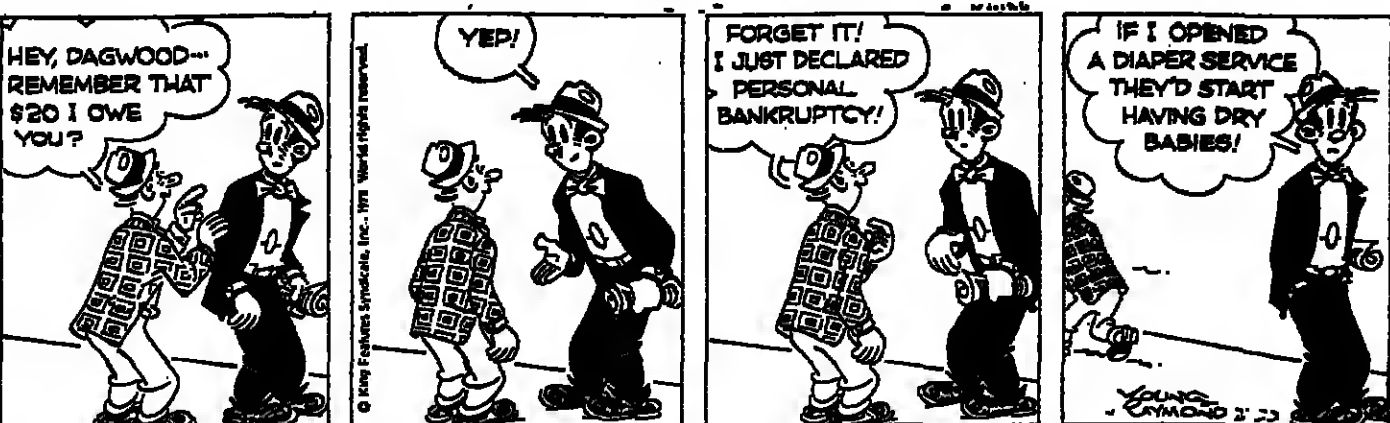




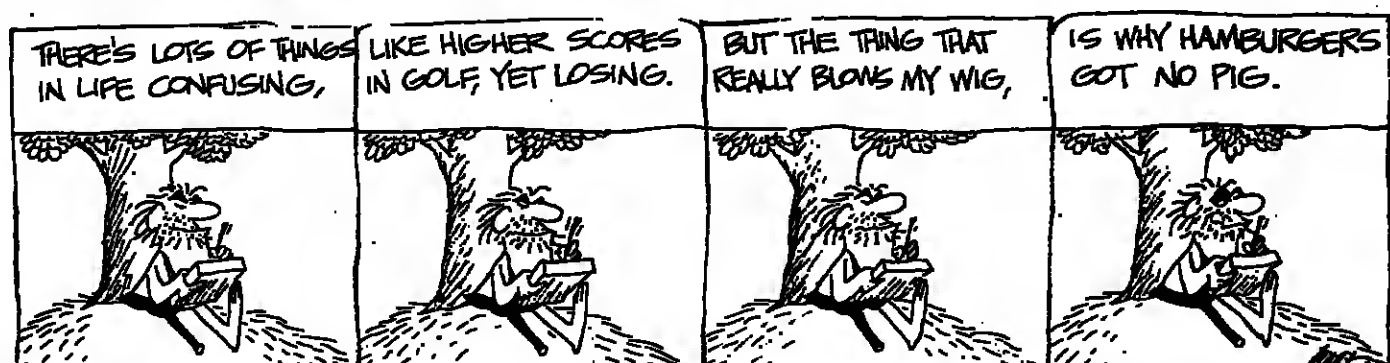
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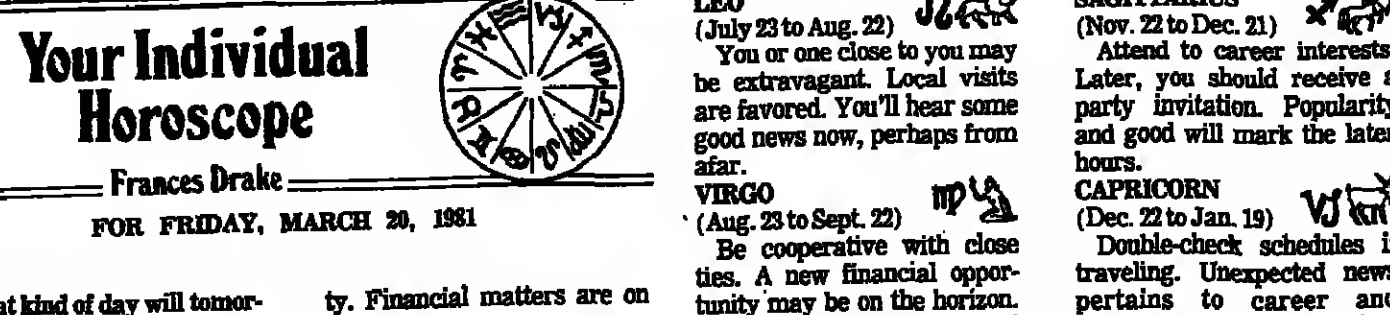
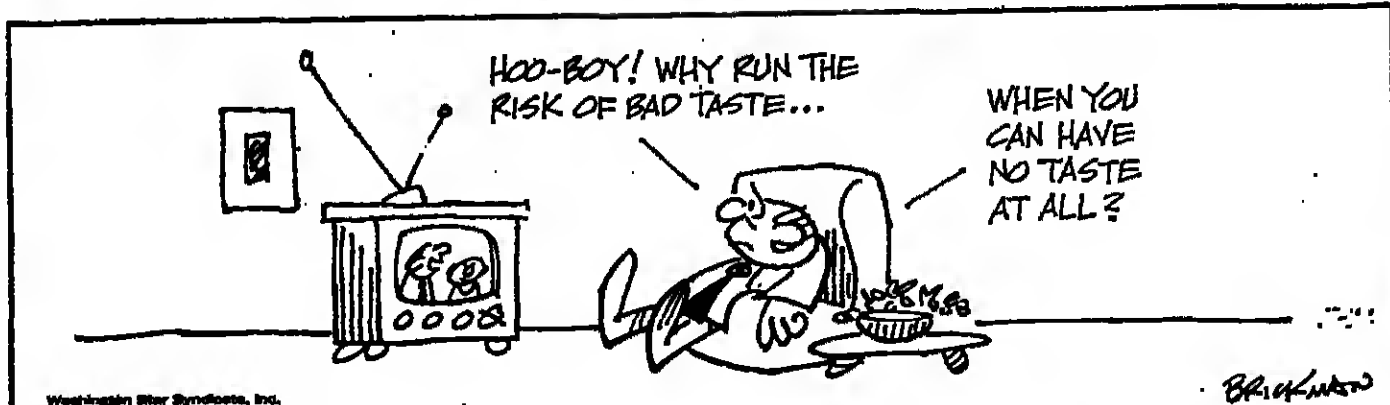
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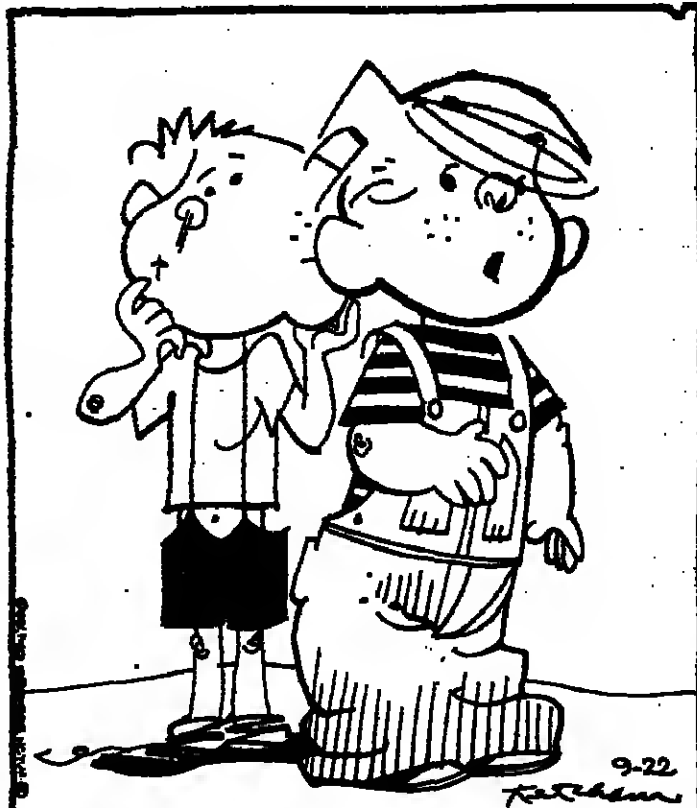
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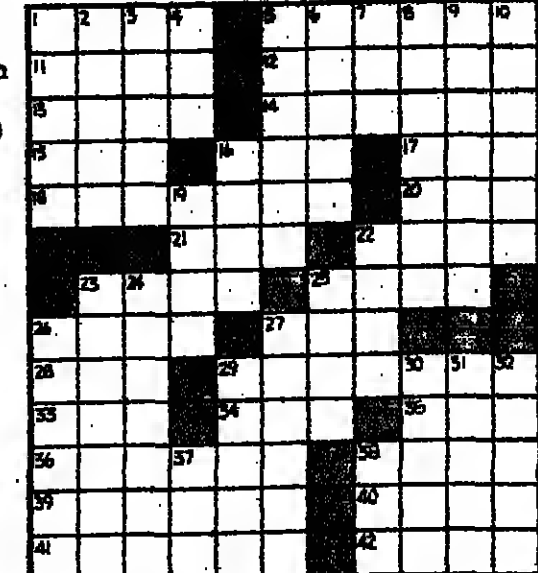
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by THOMAS JOSEPH

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5 Rapacious	6 Victorian prince	7 Introduction	8 Long step
8 Except	9 Forklift operator, for example	10 Intermediary	11 Math term
10 Before	11 Depressed	12 Asian river	13 Amulet
14 Ruminant's mouthful	15 Garb or Tabard	16 Fashioned	17 Cot
18 Deal out	19 Stimbe's neck growth	20 Pulpit talk (abbr.)	21 Sweetheart
22 Kinsman (abbr.)	23 "All the Things You —"	24 Rich rock	25 Reasting
26 "La Vie En Rose" songstress	27 Svetlana's father	28 Other	



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♦ J 5	♦ 9 8 7 6 3 2
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Some tension now regarding work matters. Accept surprise invitations. Despite differences, a personal matter ends on a happy note.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20)  
Friends and children may not mix favorably now. Be alert for a new job opportunity.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)  
Attend to domestic concerns in the morning. Later, you'll enjoy a night on the town. New romantic possibilities come your way.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)  
Nighttime plans are subject to change. Luck now for those seeking new living quarters. Family life is most satisfying in the evening.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22)  
You or one close to you may be extravagant. Local visits are favored. You'll hear some good news now, perhaps from afar.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)  
Be cooperative with close ties. A new financial opportunity may be on the horizon. Real estate transactions and shopping are favored.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)  
Tackling odd chores could leave you a bit frazzled, but the evening brings refreshing news. Your self-confidence attracts benefits.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)  
Morning tension affects close ties. You may hear of a job or financial opportunity before day's end. Your faith in life is renewed.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)  
Attend to career interests. Later, you should receive a party invitation. Popularity and good will mark the later hours.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)  
Double-check schedules if traveling. Unexpected news pertains to career and finances. Community involvement brings recognition.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)  
Watch tension with close ones about money. You may receive and invitation for travel. Luck for you in connection with distant places.

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International

## Solidarity accuses Soviets of meddling

WARSAW, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — The Solidarity free trade union Monday reported the first open criticism of Moscow's latest warning to Poland. Solidarity's Warsaw news service reported three resolutions by local union branches condemning last week's Kremlin message to Polish leaders which demanded a crackdown on anti-Soviet activities.

The message, drafted in Moscow after the first stage of Solidarity's national congress, prompted the Polish authorities to put out their own warnings. The latest, issued Sunday night, said regional administrators had been alerted to take exceptional measures, which were not specified.

Solidarity's national leaders were due to meet Tuesday to assess the situation and draw up a formal response in time for the second half of the congress, due to begin Saturday. But regional offices of the union seized the initiative and countered statements in the Communist-controlled press that the Polish government's new firm line had wide public support.

One Solidarity statement signed by 26 factory committees in the northern Laj district expressed indignation over the Soviet warning and accused Moscow of violating Polish sovereignty. Another from the eastern region of Biala Podlaska, close to the Soviet frontier, took exception to a Soviet bloc propaganda campaign against a message from the Solidarity congress advocating free trade unions in other Warsaw Pact states.

"If the message to working people in Eastern Europe meddling in the internal affairs of the Socialist countries, then what should one call official threats by the Soviet party and government to Poland," the Solidarity branch asked.

Warsaw's Wiercowski Precision Tool Factory said: "We consider this a violation of (our) sovereignty and interference in Polish internal affairs," the factory said.

The government maintained its attacks on what it called Solidarity's radicalism. The official Communist Party daily *Trybuna Ludu* said that leaders of the 10-million strong movement were courting a national disaster.

The Polish news agency PAP said party organizations across the country had passed resolutions calling on union members to abandon their radical leaders. Party activists state in their resolutions that efforts to dismantle the structure of authority and take over Poland are becoming increasingly obvious. PAP reported the agency, summarizing the party resolutions, said more and more Poles were convinced that Solidarity's national commission (KKP) has become "a representative of strategic centers seeking to destroy the Polish statehood."

PAP also reported some of the rival Solidarity statements, including one which ridiculed claims in Moscow and Warsaw that communism was endangered by a handful of anti-Marxists. But the sternest denunciations came from Solidarity's uncensored regional and factory bulletins. The outspoken Warsaw bulletin *Niezaleznosc* denied that Solidarity was seeking to overturn Poland's Communist rulers, saying the reform it advocated posed no threat to the security of the Soviet bloc.

Meanwhile, Poland's official mass media have unleashed a wave of propaganda against the "politicization" of Solidarity. Communist Party chiefs still officially favor the "line of understanding," and their goodwill was to be put to the test Monday night when a parliamentary committee was to have further talks on self-management in factories and other enterprises.

The press was more moderate, giving equally wide coverage to reactions in Solidarity's ranks to the central committee's declaration. These consisted of protests against "disinformation," and against the spirit of "confrontation" that seemed to have possessed party and state authorities.

## Guatemala calls Belizean independence a farce

BELIZE CITY, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — British soldiers hauled down the Union Jack at the stroke of midnight Monday and raised the flag of Belize at government house, inaugurating the world's newest independent nation.

A tropical downpour drowned out the fireworks as local churchmen dedicated the new Central American state and the flag to the "glory of God." The ceremony marked the end of British rule in one of its last colonies in the Americas.

Britain is leaving 1,600 troops in the territory once known as British Honduras at the request of Belize Premier George Price, who has headed the government and the ruling People's United Party for 20 years. He is expected to assume the title of prime minister.

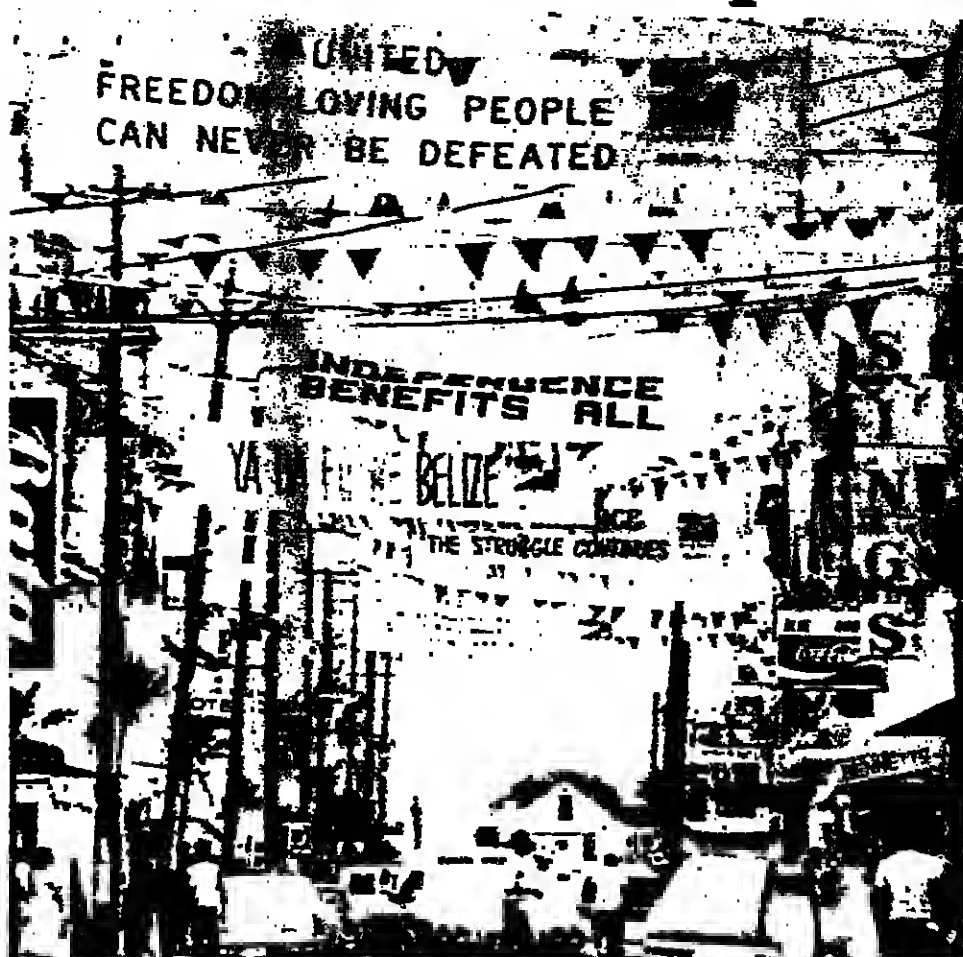
Price asked that the troops remain in part because neighboring Guatemala's claim to Belize has not been settled. In Guatemala City, the military government of Gen. Fernando Romeo Lucas Garcia issued a communique calling Belize's independence "another farce of English colonialism."

In almost 20 years of talks, Britain and Guatemala were not able to resolve Guatemala's claims to Belize, which is wedged between Mexico and Guatemala on the Caribbean coast. Guatemala's statement said Britain's granting of independence to Belize displayed "hypocritical appearance of respect for the right of self-determination."

The statement said Guatemala would not invade Belize, "except in exercise of the legitimate right of defense," and that Guatemala would press its territorial claim "through all the peaceful means that laws and international practice place at its disposal."

The granting of independence to Belize, the statement said, "does nothing to change our position, nor does it weaken our rights over that portion of our country, usurped by Britain years ago."

Britain granted Belize self-rule in 1964 and tried to settle the Guatemalan claim,



BELIZE FESTIVITY: Banners, bunting and lights decorate Albert Street in downtown Belize City, the biggest city in Belize that became independent at midnight Sunday.

which dates from the 18th century. Britain and Guatemala have no diplomatic relations because of the Belize dispute. There is still no agreement on what access Guatemala should have through Belize to the Caribbean and 12 coastal islands.

Belize City was afire with colored banners, posters and lights to celebrate

English-speaking blacks. Racial friction is almost non-existent, police are unarmed and stores close every afternoon for siestas. Most buildings here are ramshackle wood shacks on stilts. Poverty is rampant and many people emigrate to the United States. Sugar and citrus fruit are the main crops.

George Price told newsmen Monday, Belize will pursue a policy of non-intervention in the turbulent politics of Central America. "We will travel the middle road," said the 62-year-old premier. "We will try to be good neighbors and have many friends."

On the economic side although the premier admitted that the country is poor and that Britain could have done more to develop its considerable resources, he had nothing but good words for the British government. "Britain should be praised as a loyal member of the United Nations," Price said in reference to last year's unanimous General Assembly resolution which mandated Belizean independence by the end of this year's session.

It is expected that in addition to continued British economic assistance the United States and international agencies will also provide significant amount of aid for this largely undeveloped country.

In Guatemala City, portraits of Queen Elizabeth, British flags and effigies of Belizean Premier George Price were hurled by demonstrators protesting Belize's independence Monday. An estimated 1,000 persons took part in Sunday night's rally, outside Guatemala's National Palace. It was organized by the National Liberation Movement, though not officially authorized.

The United States, which has close ties with Guatemala, is keen to promote Belize as a stable country in this region of chronic political turmoil and bloodshed. In Moscow, Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov Sunday sent a telegram to Price formally recognizing the new state and expressing the hope that "friendly and fruitful" ties could develop.

## Crocker begins parleys on West's Namibia plan

ZURICH, Switzerland, Sept. 21 (Agencies) — U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs, Chester A. Crocker, began private talks here Monday with senior South African government officials on details of a Western plan for the independence of Southwest African (Namibia), diplomatic sources said.

Among the South African officials meeting with Crocker at an undisclosed location were Brand Fourie, foreign affairs director general and Danie Hough, Namibian administrator general.

The talks, which are expected to continue Tuesday, were requested by Pretoria reportedly to discuss the timetable and other aspects of a U.N. plan to bring independence to Namibia, which South Africa rules under an old League of Nations mandate that the U.N. revoked in 1966.

Another topic of the Zurich talks reportedly is a proposal that Western countries would comprise the largest part of a U.N. peacekeeping force that would be present during elections in the vast, mineral-rich country.

Neither the Americans, nor the South Africans would comment officially about the talks. "It's clearly their intention to meet quietly and keep it that way," an American diplomatic source said.

The meeting comes three days before U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, and the foreign ministers of Britain, France, West Germany and Canada, are to meet in New York to discuss the Namibian situation. The five countries have sought for four years to find a formula that would lead to self-rule for Namibia's 1.25 million people.

Crocker hopes to get a favorable response to take back to Thursday's meeting in New York. South Africa has balked at implementing the U.N. plan, saying the U.N. was biased toward the guerrillas of the Southwest Africa People's Organization (SWAPO).

In Windhoek, the territorial capital, Ministerial Council Chairman Dirk Mudge told his party's newspaper that Washington and Pretoria "have reached the stage where they now want to conclude the prolonged independence process for Southwest Africa."

At the same time, however, Mudge, the white leader of a multiracial party, said he was not interested in any constitutional agreement with SWAPO. "SWAPO is not to be trusted," he said in an interview published Monday. "I want free and fair elections which I believe we can win so we can incorporate our own guarantees in the constitution," which is supposed to be written by the assembly elected in the independence balloting.

Meantime, the government media in Tanzania, whose President Julius Nyerere is unofficial leader of the front-line states, warned the United States that black Africa would support only those initiatives intended to press Pretoria to implement the U.N. plan.

In an editorial, the ruling party newspaper *Uhuru* said that "after the adoption of the U.N. plan, there should be no room for such things as 'American plan' for Namibian independence."

The government newspaper *Daily News* wrote that Africa should beware because "the Zurich meeting is being held in the wake of Washington's changed attitude not only toward the Namibia question but also toward...apartheid." Western news media reports have said the American modifications in the U.N. plan had won support in principle from the front-line states, but not SWAPO.



TV MAKEUP: U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig has television makeup before appearing on ABC's "Issues and Answers" program Sunday. During his TV appearance Haig said the opposition of 50 senators to the sale of advanced radar surveillance planes (AWACS) to Saudi Arabia is soft and President Ronald Reagan will ultimately win approval of the \$8.5 billion arms package.

## Freak storms claim 11 lives in Britain

LONDON, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Eleven persons died as a result of freak storms that hit Britain during the weekend, rescue services said here. A French fisherman was swept overboard south of Cornwall and two other persons were drowned off British shores. Another person aboard a sailing boat died of a heart attack in the storm, rescuers said.

Seven more deaths were the results of road accidents caused by storm conditions, which tore up trees and telephone poles and hurled vehicles off the road. Winds of up to 100 kph an hour were recorded by weather experts who said the storm was about the same strength as one in August 1979.

## Bomb explodes under car IRA prisoner joins fast

BELFAST, Sept. 21 (AP) — Another convicted Irish Republican Army guerrilla joined the hunger strike at the Maze Prison outside Belfast Monday, bringing the number of guerrillas currently on the fast there to eight.

The H-Block Information Center here said Jim Devine, 24, who comes from Strabane, County Tyrone, hut was born in Glasgow, Scotland, of a Roman Catholic family of Irish

descent, refused breakfast.

Ten Irish nationalist guerrillas have died on the hunger strike since it started March 1 over demands for changes in the prison regime. The British government says it will not concede them because they amount to prisoner-of-war status.

Devine takes the place of hunger striker Micky Devine, who died Aug. 20 on the 60th day of his fast. Micky Devine was a member of the Irish National Liberation Army (INLA), an IRA offshoot. The information center, named after the H-shaped cell blocks of the Maze, said Devine, one of a family of 10 who moved from Scotland to Northern Ireland in the early 1960s, was jailed for 10 years in January 1979 for possessing incendiary and bomb-making materials.

It said two months later he was sentenced to six years for causing explosions and other offenses. The six-year sentence runs concurrently with the 10-year sentence.

The IRA and INLA, both of which are mainly Roman Catholic, are fighting to drive the British from predominantly Protestant Northern Ireland. They want to reunite it with the overwhelmingly Catholic Irish Republic to the south under Socialist rule.

The hunger strikers said last week they will continue the protest. This was despite speculation it was collapsing after the families of four prisoners authorized medical attention for them when their condition became critical and INLA ruled against putting any more of its men on the fast.

The longest surviving hunger striker, Liam McCloskey, 25, began his 49th day without food Monday. Sinn Fein, political front for the IRA, said his condition was weakening and expected to become critical early next month.

In another development, a bomb exploded here early Monday under a Royal Ulster Constabulary police car, without causing any victims. The bomb was apparently placed during the night under the vehicle, where it was discovered Monday morning by the driver. Army experts were called in immediately, but the device went off before they arrived.

## Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khawar

A story, applicable to some of our lands. A Western leader paid an official visit to a Central African country. His host, a highly educated president, was gracious enough to act as interpreter in all of the official functions. The Westerner stood up on one occasion and told an elaborate joke, taking about ten minutes. The president started to translate, and the visitor was astounded to hear him say only a few words, after which everyone burst out laughing.

"That was some compression," he said to his host. "You really cut down that story to essentials." To which the host answered, "Not at all. I said, 'Our guest has just told a very good joke. Laugh!'"

Which reminds me (I can't imagine why) of the one about two businessmen meeting on a Caribbean cruise. "Just received a hundred thousand dollars from the insurance company after my ship was burned to the ground," "How strange," said the other, "I just received two hundred thousand from my insurance after my business was flooded." The first man thinks for a while and then says, "How the hell do you start a flood?"

Which dovetails (or perhaps it doesn't) with the story of the kid who asks his father, "Can you be punished for something you haven't done?" "Of course, not," says the father. "Then why does that fool of a teacher punish me for not doing my homework?"

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awadi

## Belgium fails to settle finance issue

BRUSSELS, Sept. 21 (R) — Belgium faced a new political crisis Monday after its five-month-old coalition government apparently failed to resolve differences over financial aid to the steel industry.

After an hour-long cabinet meeting, Prime Minister Mark Eyskens declined all comment and left immediately to see the king. Official sources refused to say whether he had gone to tender his resignation. Budget Minister Guy Mathot, a member of the French-speaking Socialist Party (PS), told reporters that the cabinet talks had "not been enough for the Socialists to change their attitude."

Asked if the government was still standing, Mathot said: "Yes, but Mr. Eyskens is reporting to the king." The PS put the four-party coalition in danger of collapse last Friday when it said that it would refuse to attend cabinet meetings not entirely devoted to finding urgently needed funds for the giant Cockerill-Sambre steel company.

The prime minister suggested last week that continued insistence by the French-speaking Socialists on an immediate resolution of the steel problem would probably lead to the downfall of his center-left government. Eyskens is a member of the Flemish-speaking Christian Social Party. Its coalition partners are the French-speaking Christian Social Party and the Francophone and Flemish Socialist Parties.

## Tremors hit Italy areas

POTENZA, Italy, Sept. 21 (AP) — Two tremors shook the quake-prone province of Potenza, east of Naples, during the night sending hundreds of people into the streets and open areas, officials reported Monday. Many spent the night in parked cars. Nobody was hurt and no damage was reported.

Potenza is in the area struck by last November's earthquake that left 2,728 dead. Thousands of people still live in tents and prefabricated houses.

## Poisoned oil toll 139

MADRID, Sept. 21 (AFP) — Two more deaths have been reported during the past two days of toxic pneumonia caused by industrial oil being sold as cooking oil, officials said here Monday. The dead were a 77-year-old woman and a 10-year-old girl. The latest deaths bring to 139 the number of persons who have died from the poisoned oil.

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